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OUTLINES.

Conditions in the earthquake district in Italy were more favorable yesterday, save for the reports from Messina that typhoid fever had broken out, this causing some alarm among the authorities, who fear that it will result in an epidemic unless the proper sanitary precautions are taken. The fire in the stricken city is being extinguished and the earth shocks felt yesterday were diminished in intensity——Mrs. Quentin Ranken appeared in the court room at Union City, Tenn., for the first time during the trial of the night riders and heard the argument of Major Hal Holmes, who opened for the State——The story of Mrs. Catherine Beisel was a dramatic feature of the Erb trial yesterday——Three contests in the House were virtually settled yesterday by committee reports in favor of the sitting members, all Democrats from South Carolina. The contestants were negroes——Little business was transacted in Congress yesterday, none of any public interest——The Shepard bill, pending in the House, if passed, will be opening wedge to drainage of swamp land by the Government——Albert W. Bailey, who carried the Steamer Goldsborough to Honduras, has been sentenced to the penitentiary in New York——C. F. King, who has been out on bail since his conviction in Boston, has been surrendered by one of his bondsmen——A bill is introduced in Congress for building eight submarine torpedo boats——There are rumors that the House special committee on the President's secret service message will recommend drastic measures——Details are given of the horrible plight of a squad of Castro's political prisoners who have just been released after months of confinement——At their request, Taft holds a conference with the Protestant ministers of Augusta ——The coroner's jury holds A. Batton for the murder of J. C. Brown, nead Selma, N. C., last Sunday night. ——New York markets: Money on call steady at 2 to 2 1-2 per cent., ruling rate 2 1-2, closing bid 2 1-4, offered at 2 1-4. Flour quiet and barely steady. Wheat easy, No. 2 red 1.06 7-8 to 1.08 3-8 elevator. Corn firm, No. 2, 66 1-4 elevator. Oats steady, mixed 54 to 54 1-2. Rosin steady and unchanged. Turpentine firm at 42 1-2. Cotton quiet at 10 points decline, middling uplands 9.25, middling gulf 9.50.

That barge saloon business may last for awhile, but the authorities will find some way to break it up.

Now look out for Atlanta to slop over. She is not going to let Augusta and Birmingham out-do her.

The Berlin doctors have operated on Castro's liver. The Venezuelans had already operated on his neck.

A Mecklenburg man gave the Seaboard Air Line a New Year's present of a ten thousand dollar damage suit.

The first thing you know the Morally Stunted will have to send clear to Baltimore or perhaps New York to get it.

It is now in order for those who praised judge Landis to denounce the members of the Federal Supreme Court.

The Durham Herald says when the whiskey folks helped put the negro out of politics "there's where they dropped their candy."

California's fruit crop last year was worth fifty per cent. more than her gold output. The Californians think something besides silence is golden.

Carnegie did not develop a desire to die rich until he had reached the point of wealth where he knew it would be impossible to do so.

Pittsburg seems to be jealous of Philadelphia because of the latter's recognized national leadership in the boodle and graft line.

Senator Tillman's language was not very courteous, to say the least of it, to the visiting educator who advocated compulsory education.

The claim of automobile drivers that their machines are safer than horses because they can't kick or bite does not fool anybody.

The Thaw, the Hains and the Erb cases all on at one time is more than the American people ought to be expected to stand.

Why are Eastern district lawyers urging a man from the Western district for the judgeship? Is it a negro in the woodpile or a pie on the counter?

The Chicago health officer differs with Dr. Tanner, of California. He says cows do not need toothbrushes. At last something sensible comes from a Chicago official.

That was a pretty fine point on which Lawyer Shearn wanted to indict Rockefeller for perjury. The defendants' case must be a desperate one for him to take such a course.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Those Chosen for Ensuing Year by Cape Fear Chapter, United Daughters of Confederacy.

OBSERVE BIRTHDAY OF LEE

Regular Meeting Yesterday Afternoon. Committees Named to Have All Arrangements in Charge—Veterans are Co-operating.

At the regular monthly meeting of Cape Fear Chapter No. 2, United Daughters of the Confederacy, which was unusually largely attended in spite of the threatening weather, yesterday afternoon, at the Wilmington Light Infantry armory, officers for the ensuing year were elected, arrangements were made for the usual elaborate and appropriate observance of General Robert E. Lee's birthday on January 19th, and other business of more or less importance was transacted.

The election of officers, which was deferred from just before the holidays, was the most important action of the meeting. Mrs. W. M. Parsley, who is recognized as the mother of the United Daughters in North Carolina and its first president, a pioneer in the movement for a suitable monument to George Davis and one whose interest has never abated, was unanimously elected president and will fill this important position upon the occasion of the State convention in Wilmington in October when the corner-stone of the monument to the late Mr. Davis will be laid with appropriate ceremony. Mrs. John C. James was elected vice president and Mrs. Cuthbert Martin was honored with reelection as recording secretary over her protest, desiring to stand aside and allow the office to go to some other. Mrs. Wm. Creasy was elected corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. Hicks Bunting, treasurer; Mrs. James F. Woolvin, registrar; Miss Hettie James historian, and Mrs. Wm. M. Parsley custodian of the Crosses of Honor.

The arrangements for the celebration of Lee's Birthday are in the hands of a special committee composed of Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, chairman; Mrs. T. E. Sprunt and Mrs. H. G Smallbones and they are being cooperated with by a like committee from the veterans, composed of Capt. Louis Belden, chairman; Mr. W. M. Cumming and Dr. W. D. MacMillan. The exercises will consist of the usual luncheon in the Masonic Temple and appropriate exercises in the Academy of Music. The orator of the occasion will be announced later. The following committees have been announced to have in charge the various details of the arrangements:

Reception—Miss Hettie James, Mrs. W. M. Parsley, Mrs. Chas. Myers, Mrs. John D. Taylor, Mrs. Gaston Maeres, Mrs. D. O'Connor, Mrs. W. L. Smith, Mrs. T. O. Bunting, Mrs. Geo. Huggins, Mrs. W. R. French, Miss Mary Sanders, Mrs. M. S. Willard, Mrs. J. L. Cantwell, Mrs. S. G. Lewis, Mrs. Roger Moore, Mrs. James Carmichael, Miss Julia James, Mrs. Gabriel Holmes, Mrs. John C. James.

Serving Committee—Mesdames F. L. Huggins, M. S. Willard, L. L. Pritchard, R. C. Cantwell, Walker Taylor, M. G. Saunders, W. L. DeRossett, Jr., Junius Davis, F. A. Lord, J. H. Bunting, William Beery, Sol. Sternberger, Misses Rosa Cazaux and Lillie Brown.

Hall Committee, Tables, Lights, Chairs, Etc.—Mrs. R. C. Cantwell, Mrs. M. S. Willard, Mrs. L. L. Pritchard.

Decorating Table—Misses Anita DeRosset, Mary Calder, Alice Davis, Julia Parsley and Mrs. Thos. Spieden.

Oysters and Coffee—Mrs. J. C. Munds, Mrs. H. G. Smallbones.

To Serve Coffee—Mesdames. Mitt Moore, L. L. Pritchard, M. S. Willard, F. L. Huggins, John Quelch, Junius Davis, R. C. Cantwell and W. L. DeRosset, Jr.

Serve Oysters—Mesdames William Beery, Walker Taylor, Sol Sternberger, F. A. Lord, Hicks Bunting, M. G. Saunders, Misses Bettie Price, Rosa Cazaux and Lillie Brown.

China—Misses Margaret Price, Bertha Steljes, Mary Steljes, Mesdames John C. James, Lena Avant and C. V. Huff.

Meats—Mrs. Junius Davis, Mrs. W. L. DeRosset, Jr., and Mrs. R. W. Hicks.

Bread—Mesdames J. F. Woolvin, Allie Price, F. E. Owen and Miss Louise Bunting.

Knives, Forks and Spoons—Mesdames F. L. Huggins, Walker Taylor and M. L. Stover.

Milk, Cream and Sugar—Mrs. Gabriel Holmes, Mrs. Walter Parsley and Miss Julia Gore.

Pickles—Miss Rosa Cazaux, Mrs. Cuthbert Martin.

Butter—Mrs. J. C. Stevenson, Miss Lizie Peck.

Souvenirs, Flags, Pipes, Tobacco, Cigars, Matches, Ribbons—Mesdames Sol. Sternberger, W. G. Webb, C. D. Bell and W. B. Cooper.

Fruits—Mrs. M. S. Willard.

Salads—Mrs. Jane DeRosset, Miss Lillie Brown.

Decorating Academy—Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, Miss Stella Divine, Miss Minnie Brown, Miss Eliza Metts, Miss Viola Bear.

PYTHIAN CELEBRATION

Prominent Wilmington Knights Attend Installation Ceremonies of Cronly Lodge, K. of P.—Address by Past Grand Chancellor.

A delegation of prominent Wilmington Pythians, consisting of Past Grand Chancellor Wm. F. Robertson, State Deputy Grand Chancellor J. D. Nutt, Col. Walker Taylor, chairman of the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee, and Past Chancellor Alex. S. Holden, returned early yesterday morning from Cronly, N. C., where on Monday night they attended a big celebration by the Cronly Lodge, K. of P., the celebration having been planned in honor of the visitors and for the regular installation of officers.

Col. Walker Taylor presided at the installation of officers and Past Chancellor Robertson was the speaker of the evening, who was introduced by Past Chancellor G. Herbert Smith, of Cronly. There were also addresses by State Deputy Nutt, Col. Taylor, Mr. Holden, who acted as keeper of records and seal for the evening, and many of the members of the local lodge. An attractive programme had been prepared by a committee of arrangements composed of Messrs. S. L. Chinnis, Thad. F. Tyler and H. L. Boyette, the exercises opening with a song by the choir and prayer by Rev. J. M. Marlowe. The installation of the various officers was interspersed with pleasing musical selections and when the formal part of the ceremonies were over, the Knights were invited to the large warehouse of the Seaboard Air Line where an elegant oyster supper was served by the ladies of Cronly. Nothing was left undone to please the large number of people in attendance and the Wilmington Knights came home with only the highest praises for the good people of Cronly, especially the ladies, who vied with one another in giving the visitors a most splendid entertainment.

MR. CONWAY PASSES AWAY

Death Occurred on Wrightsville Sound Funeral Yesterday.

The death of Mr. E. T. Conway, a well known and esteemed resident of Wrightsville Sound, who formerly resided in the city and has many friends here, occurred on Monday evening at his home, where he has been in declining health for some time

For a number of years Mr. Conway was engaged in the trucking business, but of recent years had been working at the carpenter's trade. He was 58 years old. Surviving him besides a wife are two children of the immediate family, Mrs. Lottie Hewett and Miss Lula Conway, also a brother and sister, these being Mr. E. D. Conway and Mrs. Sabra J. Ennett, of Richmond, Va.

A large number of acquaintances attended the funeral at the residence yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. W. L. Rexford, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, officiating. Much sympathy was extended the relatives by sorrowing friends. The remains were interred at Prospect church, near the Seven Mile Post.

OPENED OFFICE HERE.

Gate City Mutual Life and Health Insurance Co., of Greensboro.

Mr. F. S. Hatchcock, representing the Gate City Mutual Life and Health Insurance Co., of Greensboro, N. C., has arrived in the city and with the beginning of the new year opened a branch office of the institution at No. 215 North Front street, the Sternberger building. The Gate City Mutual is incorporated under the laws of North Carolina and writes industrial sick and accident insurance. A number of solicitors will be employed in the Wilmington office in charge of Mr. Hatchcock, who comes with the highest endorsements including Judge Jas E. Boyd, Maj. Chas. M. Stedman, ex Mayor T. J. Murphy and a number of leading business and profesional men of Greensboro

Jones Leaves For Nassau.

The Wilmington tug Alexander Jones, Capt. W. A. Sanders, cleared from the Custom House yesterday and this morning at 9 o'clock will sail from Southport for Nassau, B. W. I., from which port she will tow to Hampton Roads the large four-masted schooner Benj. F. Poole, laden with salt and leaking slightly. The Jones under command of Capt. Sanders is establishing quite a record for herself in ocean towing and soon after her return from Nassau will probably tow the schooners Horace P. Shapes and Carrie A. Norton from Wilmington to a Northern port for the Gilbert Transportation Co., of Mystic, Conn. The Jones recently towed the Norton here from Kingston, Jamaica.

Odd Fellows Installed Officers.

Deputy Grand Master W. H. Schaefer, assisted by Past Grands W. H. Badon, W. H. Yopp, W. L. Smith, D. K. LeGwin and W. G. T. Keen, installed officers of Cape Fear Lodge No. 2, I. O. O. F. for the ensuing term last evening, as follows: O. O. Mills, N. G.; L. D. Latta, V. G.; Jas. T. Riley, recording and financial secretary; William Goodman, treasurer; J. C. Myrick, warden; R. J. Carter, conductor; M. H. Brimmer, chaplain; C. A. Rourk, I. G.; W. G. T. Keen, O. G.; J. W. Taylor, R. S. to N. G.; J. A. Tripp, L. S. to N. G.; W. E. Phelps, R. L. S.; E. B. Moore, L. S. S.

THE FORM APPROVED

The Board of Audit and Finance Finally Pass Upon Waterworks, Sewerage Bonds.

WILL BE DELIVERED SOON

Increased Bond Required of City Clerk and Treasurer—Negotiations for Purchase of Plant to be Resumed—Lease of Theatre.

At the adjourned special meeting of the Board of Audit and Finance last night, after further consideration, the form of the proposed waterworks and sewerage bonds recently sold to N. W. Harris & Co., of Boston and New York, about which some question arose Monday night, was approved and the formal resolutions necessary to a final consummation of the sale were adopted to be forwarded today to the purchasers, completing the record.

There were present at the meeting Chairman H. C. McQueen, Messrs. S. P. McNair, Jesse Wilder and M. G. Tiencken; Capt. T. D. Meares, the clerk, and City Attorney Marsden Bellamy, Jr. Some question had arisen as to the power of the city and the advisability in any event of issuing what is known as a "gold bond." A telegram was sent Monday night to the purchasers in regard to this particular wording of the bonds and a reply was received by Chairman McQueen yesterday, stating that they saw no prohibition of the issuance of a "gold bond" in the act or any objection upon the part of the city to making them payable in the same tender as would be received by the city. At the meeting last night all the members expressed themselves as perfectly favorable to a gold bond and being satisfied by the city attorney that there were no legal obstacles in the way, the form was approved by a vote of 3 to 1, the chairman voting in the negative on the ground that the verbiage should imply that the interest and principal should be payable in legal tender at the time of such payment and nothing more, explaining complications that might and might not arise.

The papers will be forwarded at once and members of the Board stated that the delivery of the bonds would probably be made the middle of next week. This brought up the question of additional bond for the City Clerk and Treasurer, who will have the custody of the large fund subject to warrants from the Water and Sewerage Commission. The Board fixed the bond of the City Clerk and Treasurer in view of this larger trust at $500,000 covering the fund, premium and accrued interest. The question was raised if this would not be a hardship upon the Treasurer, but it was explained that the banks with whom he would probably deposit would attend to this matter without the cost of bond in one of the surety companies. The disposal of the fund pending its use was also discussed, the Board taking the position that it was a matter entirely for the City Clerk and Treasurer, who would, of course, handle the fund to the very best advantage of the city. The City Clerk and Treasurer was quoted as having already said that the money would be deposited with the various savings banks and the city would derive therefrom four per cent. interest against the 4 1-2 per cent. which it will be paying on the bonds. The county has a similar arrangement as to handling the unused portions of its road bond funds.

After passing on a few bills for current expenses and transacting other routine business, the Board adjourned subject to call of the chairman. The Board informally discussed the matter of entering into another lease of the Academy of Music for theatre purposes and while no vote was taken, the members expressed themselves as opposed to any lease upon any terms and suggested that the Legislature might pass a special act prohibiting the city from leasing any part of the building for opera house purposes. This would afford all the protection anybody would want that the city would not rent its building for a competitive house.

With the final passage by the Board of Audit and Finance on the bond matter, it is expected that the special committee from the Board of Aldermen will today call upon the officials of the Clarendon Waterworks Company and tender to them an offer of $140,000 for their plant as was authorized Monday night. It is not known whether the company will accept this figure or not, but it is said in some quarters that the amount will be accepted. While the company may not regard the amount a fair and equitable price, it is stated that the proposition may be accepted rather than to be plunged into a merciless competion that would result disastrously for both parties to the controversy.

It is not believed that Alderman Wood was serious Monday night when he threatened his fellow members on the Board with an injunction and while he may have his individual views as to the value of the property, it is believed that he will acquiesce in the will of the majority. If the sale is consummated, it is generally regarded as very desirable that the plant should be taken over as of January 1st. This week will probably tell the story of municipal waterworks in Wilmington, at least so far as the present status of the matter is concerned.

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ANNUAL NEW YEAR BALL

Howard Relief Club Last Night Gave Delightful Affair for Its Members and Friends—Supper at Midnight.

The annual New Year Ball by the Howard Relief Company last night in its handsome club building, Front and Orange streets, was well up to the high standard of such affairs in former years, about one hundred members and guests having been in attendance and thoroughly enjoyed the pleasures of the evening.

All departments of the splendid club building were thrown open and the young people "tripped the light fantastic" in the ball room on the second floor, while the pool room, parlors, reading rooms and other apartments were thronged with people enjoying various diversions. About forty couples participated in the dance, many of them being visitors from a distance and a nuumber being young people at home from college for the holidays. Mr. Fred Banck served as floor manager and excellent music was discoursed from the large gallery at the east end of the hall by Hollowbush's Academy Orchestra. At 12 o'clock an elegant supper was served on the first floor by Mrs. Eilers, who has established quite a high reputation for such delightful affairs. Dancing was kept up after supper until an early hour this morning, all in attendance pronouncing the dance of 1909 an altogether delightful affair.

The committee in charge was composed of Mr. E. Schulken, chairman; Messrs. H. Gieschen, Fred Banck, Chas. Schnibben and Carl Fick. They provided in every way most delightfully for the annual ball.

EAGLES INSTALL OFFICERS.

Those Who Will Serve Carolina Aerie No. 1171 Ensuing Term.

Carolina Aerie 1171, Fraternal Order of Eagles, installed officers for the ensuing term in their handsome lodge rooms on North Front street last night as follows, the installing officer being Past President William J. Bellamy: President, H. Z. Clowe; Vice President, S. E. Wood; Chaplain, T. D. Love; Secretary, A. M. Reinhold; Treasurer, E. M. Cheek; Conductor, Mike Leon; Inside Guard, F. S. Shepard; Outside Guard, James E. Holton; Trustees, P. J. Green, W. S. Register and J. Weill.

By virtue of having served as president during the past year, Mr. W. S. Register fills the honorary chair of Past Worthy President. The Fraternal Order of Eagles now enjoys a good membership and the outlook for the New Year is encouraging to the newly elected officers.

BAR CALLED TO MEET.

Will Consider Tomorrow Courts of Fifth Judicial District.

A call was issued yesterday by Mr. Eugene S. Martin, chairman of the local bar, for a meeting of the attorneys of Wilmington to be held at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court at the Court House tomorrow at noon to consider a communication from the bar of Sampson county, relative to the courts of this judicial district. A full attendance is desired as some action is desired at the forthcoming session of the Legislature. There has been some talk of the creation of another judicial district to include New Hanover and it is presumed that at this meeting of the local bar the entire matter will be gone into very fully.

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES.

Advent Christian Church Sunday School This Evening.

Pretty and appropriate Christmas exercises are arranged for this evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock at the Christian Advent church, Sixth and Church streets, by the Sunday School and a cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

The exercises will consist of recitations from the members of the school and several selections from the Advent church choir, after which a living pictures representing bible scenes and characters will be exhibited. A pretty Christmas tree has been prepared for the children and following the exercises a number of useful presents will be distributed. The members of the Sunday school are requested to come early.

MAYSVILLE COUNCIL.

Juniors Will Institute New Council Next Week—Installation.

District Deputy Nathan J. Williams will go to Maysville, N. C., one day next week, where he will assist in establishing a new council of the Jr. O. U. A. M. The Maysville council will begin under favorable conditions, quite a number of the citizens having signified their intention to become charter members.

The installation of officers of the two local councils on tomorrow night at their hall on Market street, followed by a supper to the members, will be an evening of much importance and interest among the Juniors.

GRAHAM IS SPEAKER

Granville Man Chosen at Democratic Caucus of Legislature Late Last Night.

REPUBLICANS ALSO CONFER

Named Former Leaders in Both Houses—Minor Officers of Senate and Lower Branch Also Agreed Upon—Other Notes.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan., 5.—Ex-Judge Augustus W. Graham, of Granville, was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Democratic caucus late tonight on the third ballot, Graham 43, Dowd 36, Hayes 2.

Just 49 years ago Judge Graham's father was elected Speaker of the House by the first caucus held in the new hall of the new capitol. The selection of a Speaker was left as the last work of the caucus on account of a belated train from the West, bringing four representatives said to be Dowd men. On the first ballot Dowd received 28, Graham 21, Hayes 19. On the second Dowd 33, Graham 36, Hayes 11. The balloting was rapid with considerable animation. After the result was announced Representative Greer, of Mecklenburg, a Dowd supporter, moved that the election be unanimous and this went through by acclamation.

On motion of Underwood, of Cumberland, the Speaker-elect was introduced and appearing deeply moved by the honor conferred said if he had words to express his appreciation he would be glad to use them. He had always been one of the boys in the ranks.

Mr. Dowd was called for and after saying it was a little difficult for a man to be cheerful at his own funeral, declared that as a Democrat he had never seen a day or hour when he was not willing to submit his fortunes to a majority of the Democratic party. He pledged his hearty co-operation with the Speaker. Mr Hayes responded to call and reiterated the sentiments of Mr. Dowd, calling on all his supporters to rally to the support of the speaker.

Representative Murphy, of Guilford, nominated Hayes; R. A. Doughton nominated Dowd, and Representative J. H. Currie, of Cumberland, nominated Graham.

The election of other officers for the House resulted as follows: Principal Clerk, T. G. Cobb, of Morganton; reading clerk, R. M. Phillips, of Lee county; engrossing clerk, M. D. Kinsland, Waynesville; sergeant at arms, Geo. L. Kilpatrick, Lenoir.

The Senate Caucus.

The caucus of Democratic members of the Senate resulted in the selection of Whitehead Klutz for president protem. He had no opposition. Other officers chosen were: Principal Clerk A. J. Maxwell, Craven; Reading Clerk Mark Squires, Lenoir; Engrossing Clerk, W. E. Hooks, Greenville; Sergeant at Arms, R. E. Staley, Wilkesboro; Assistant, Nick Deboy, Raleigh. Senator J. A. Long, of Person, was made chairman of the Senate caucus and Senator J. L. Barham, of Wayne, secretary.

Republicans Caucus.

The Republican members of the Legislature tonight held separate and later joint caucuses. They selected candidates for offices in the House and Senate and discussed in joint session fully party policies for the session. The Senate minority chose J. J. Britt, of Asheville, president protem. and the House named M. H. Harshaw for speaker. They will, therefore, be recognized as party leaders on the floor of the Legislative bodies. During the joint caucus it is stated the opinion was unanimous that the Legislature should re-enact the revenue bill with whatever changes are necessary; apportion the necessary appropriations for maintenance and otherwise for State institutions and adjourn within thirty days. They declared, they say for conservatism in legislation and pronounced a legislative session at this time a menace to the business interests of the State.

Officers Clarendon Lodge

Officers of Clarendon Lodge No. 2, Knights of Pythias, were installed last evening by State Deputy Grand Chancellor J. D. Nutt, as follows: H. W. Smith, chancellor commander; G. C. Scherer, vice-chancellor; L. A. H. Koeth, prelate; J. L. Lennon, master of work; Walker Taylor, master of exchequer; H. H. Ford, master of finance; J. F. Littleton, keeper of records and seals; M. H. P. Clark, master at arms; W. M. Branch, inner guard; C. McD. Jones, outer guard.

Dr. Fluno's Lecture Postponed.

The lecture of Dr. Francis J. Fluno, which was announced for last evening at the Academy of Music, under the auspices of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, of this city, was necessarily postponed on account of the inclement weather. Dr. Fluno will return to Wilmington on Friday, January 8th, and deliver the lecture in the Elks' Temple.

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SENATE'S POWER OVER TARIFF BILL.

"Is all this labor to go for nothing or 'coldly furnish forth' the material wherewith Senator Aldrich, of Rhode Island, will make the only revision of the tariff that can get through the Sixty-first Congress?"

The above is an extract from an editorial in the New York Journal of Commerce on the prospects of revision of the tariff by the next Congress. As partly reproduced in the Star yesterday, that editorial calls attention to the fact that, though under the Constitution all bills to raise revenue must originate in the House of Representatives, the Senate has the right of amending such bills. It goes on to say that when the House bill goes over to the Senate Mr. Aldrich will have it amended by substituting therefor one drafted by himself with the assistance of some of his stand-pat friends. Then in reference to the work of the House Ways and Means Committee and of the House itself in formulating a tariff revision bill, it asks the question in the paragraph above quoted.

Suppose the Journal of Commerce's prediction as to the course of the Senate comes true, that by no means assures the enactment by Congress of such tariff bill as the Senate may pass as a substitute for the House bill, though it may cause material changes in the latter. How great or how small these changes may be would depend on which branch of the Congress stands more firmly by its own bill.

The Journal of Congress in intimating by its question that Senator Aldrich will make the only revision of the tariff that can get through Congress seems to lose sight of the fact that the bill as amended by the Senate would have to go to a joint conference committee of the two Houses which would try to compromise the differences, if neither chamber would yield to the other. In this tariff revision matter if the Senate were to pursue the course indicated the outcome would be a compromise between the two bills or no new bill at all, provided, of course, neither chamber backed down completely before the other, which is not to be expected to occur on such an important matter.

The Senate cannot force one of its own bill through Congress any more than the House can one of its bills. Either chamber can only force modification of the other's bill or prevent the passage of any bill at all.

THE FEDERAL COURT JUDGESHIP.

Senator Overman was at the White House on Monday to protest against a certain appointment in this State. While there the judgeship for the Eastern district came up and he told the President jokingly he would like to recommend a Democrat. Whereupon the latter laughed and said he would name a Republican. Senator Overman in reply said he would demand the appointment of a man who was a first class lawyer and would be satisfactory to the lawyers of the district. district.

The dispatch giving the above information goes on to say:

"Thomas Settle, John Morehead, Charles H. Cowles, J. Elwood Cox, A. H. Price, E. W. Timberlake and Z. V. Walser, are here today. They are interested in the contest for the judgeship. The fight to prevent the appointment of Adams is becoming fierce, and the odds are now against such an outcome."

Every one of the above-named men except E. W. Timberlake who is a candidate for the appointment is, we believe, a non-resident of this federal court district, and for this reason we think they should have nothing to do with it. The appointment is a matter which concerns the people of this district only, and their wishes alone should be considered. And it is still more within the proprieties that the President should confine himself to this district in selecting the judge if a man can be found within it competent to fill the position, and it cannot be denied that there are several such men of the Republican faith.

As to chairman Adams, besides the question of his compency, about which we know nothing, there are two others which should prevent him being considered at all. One is that he does not reside in the district, and the other is that grave charges against him of improper conduct while formerly holding a federal judgeship have been made, and which will only be cleared up when certain pending suits growing out of those charges have been tried. Whether these charges are true or false, we do not see how he can be considered an eligible candidate for another judgeship until he has completely vindicated himself by means of the suits he has brought for that purpose.

TAFT'S WITHDRAWAL.

A Cincinnati dispatch says it is rumored that Charles P. Taft is to be appointed Ambassador to Great Britain in place of Whitelaw Reid. Mr. Taft stated that he knew nothing of the proposed appointment; that it had never been discussed with him. But local politicians "take the report as explanatory of Mr. Taft's graceful withdrawal from the Ohio Senatorial race."

If Mr. Taft says he knows nothing about the proposed appointment, we take it to be the truth. That does not preclude, however, the supposition that some other appointment may have been discussed, or perhaps, only hinted at. If Mr. Taft's withdrawal was for the sole purpose of preserving harmony in the State party, why did he enter the race at all? He was, at the time of beginning his campaign for the nomination, as well aware of conditions in the party as he was when he decided to withdraw, and they were hardly more intense at the latter than at the former period.

It will be hard to make the public believe that there was not some other reason than the one given for his withdrawal, though that one may have been taken into consideration, also, to the extent of making it available for assignment as the reason.

The Montgomery Advertiser calls for the enforcement of the prohibition law in Alabama, "not because it is right, but because it is law." That sounds as if the law was not being enforced in that State. Because it is the law in North Carolina, also, all good citizens should wish to see it enforced in this State. If it is a good law, then, it should be enforced because it is. If it is a bad law the best way to secure its repeal is to enforce it to the letter and let the people learn this by experience.

The prosperous little town of Spray begins the New Year well—the inauguration of a new cotton and wool mills company with a million dollar capital. Only a few years ago there was no such town as Spray. Now it is a thriving manufacturing center and is still forging ahead, as the establishment of these new mills shows.

The President-elect's feelings have been hurt at the things said about the reasons why his brother withdrew from the Senatorial race. They would have been more deeply wounded at what would have been said had he remained in the race and secured the nomination.

While our Legislature is discussing Mr. Bryan's pet measure, the bank deposit guaranty bill, would be a most opportune time for that gentleman to run down to Raleigh for a visit to his bosom friend, North Carolina's member of the national committee.

If that assistant director of the observatory on Mount Vesuvius wants to preserve his reputation he had better confine himself to giving the cause of the earthquake and not go to prophesying.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—General Bell says that the United States cavalry is worthless. Has he forgotten that famous body of horse, the Rough Riders, that killed at least one Spaniard and gave to its country a strenuous President and made a great military genius out of an army surgeon?—Columbia State.

—If it is true, as has been stated, that the railroads operating in North Carolina made more money last year out of the reduced passenger fare than they had ever made before in a similar period out of a higher rate, it is a good joke on those who hoped by reducing rates on them to put them out of business.—Charlotte Observer.

—The rights of the land-owners are perfectly safeguarded in the forest reserve bill which has passed the Senate twice and is pending in the House which would pass it if allowed to vote on it. If this could be beaten into the heads of the people, if they could be brought to understand the facts as Mr. Mills states them, Mr. Linney and his like would not have a leg left to stand on but would be laughed out of court by the very people who are now applauding them in their opposition.—Charlotte Observer.

—According to a writer in a French review, there are three causes for cannibalism. It is due either to necessity, pleasure of fashion. Twenty per cent of the cannibals, we learn, eat their dead to honor them. The ancient Thibetans belonged to this class. This is sentimental anthropophagy. Nineteen per cent eat their great warriors to obtain their courage. This is designated egotistic anthropophagy. Twenty-nine per cent eat human flesh to punish their enemies, and thirty-two per cent because it is the fashion, or because they consider the flesh savory. —New Orleans States.

—Secretary Straus, for the first time in his career, has laid himself open to the charge of being a nature fakir. He has ruled that seals are fishes and ordered them placed under the care of the Fish Commission. Now, everybody knows that the seal is a mammal and has warm blood, which takes it entirely out of the category of fishes, according to scientific arrangement. But if Secretary Straus says the seal is a fish, for legal purposes, that must settle the question. There is a famous ruling that frogs are poultry for tariff purposes, and in view of that decision it doesn't sound so funny to hear a seal called a fish.—Savannah News.

—In its classification of the various and sundry elements fighting for a state-wide prohibition measure, the esteemed Nashville Banner fails to mention one which we believe to be quite as active as the others, namely, the "dog-in-manger" politicians of dry towns and cities, who, being deprived of the privilege and whatever benefits may be derived from the licensing of the liquor traffic, want to reduce their neighbors to their own equality—good or bad, according to viewpoint. Having enjoyed the privilege of local self-government, these envious neighbors want to force others to do what they did voluntarily—a gross exhibition of an unfair and undemocratic spirit. There will be much reason for rejoicing at a legislative rebuke of this class of selfish butters-in.—Chattanooga Times.

—Water power is one of North Carolina's most valuable natural assets. As supply and demand is the basis of commerce, it is well to know that the total possible water power development in the State is much greater than the present demand, but that the present demand is greater than the available developed supply. The conservation of the forests on the water sheds of her rivers, the construction of storage reservoirs to equalize the flow of her rivers, the successful development of her water powers, and the effective use of electric power by her manufacturers, will be great factors in determining the future industrial welfare of North Carolina. Past development, which has principally been confined to the piedmont section, has embraced either the very large powers, involving a very great outlay of capital, or small powers for isolated industries, the development of which involved but little capital. On the various rivers in North Carolina, conservative estimates show that about 50,000 horse power is being utilized at the present time. This estimate does not inciude the power being distributed by the Southern Power Company ,whose power stations are in South Carolina.—John S. Henderson, Jr., in News and Observer.

TWINKLINGS.

—She—Don't you think she takes great pains with her singing? He—Gives, I think, would be more appropriate than takes.—Pick-Me-Up.

—"Are you in favor of the Young Turkey agitation?" "You bet I am. I have no use for old, tough birds."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

—She—But they can't prove that you haven't made your money honestly. He—No, but it will take all I've made to pay a lawyer to persuade them I have.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

—Kuicker—Bryyan would limit trusts. Bocker—Well, I think myself no man should be allowed to have more than 50 per cent. of all the virtue there is in the world.—New York Sun.

—"My sturdy old grandfather came over in the steerage. Forty years later he went back in the Lusitania." "Not so much. I know of an effete duke who accomplished the same trick in four weeks."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

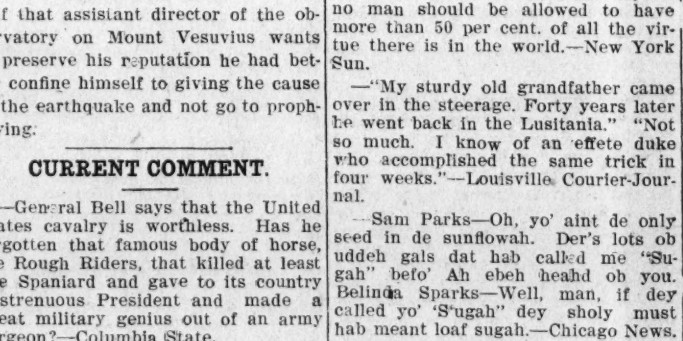
—Sam Parks—Oh, yo' aint de only seed in de sunflowah. Der's lots ob uddeh gals dat hab called me "Sugah" befo' Ah ebeh heahd ob you. Belinda Sparks—Well, man, if dey called yo' 'S'ugah" dey sholy must hab meant loaf sugah.—Chicago News.

—Teacher—And what do you suppose all the animals did during those forty days in the ark? "Smarty" Williams—They just loafed around and scratched themselves. "Sandy" Toole (disdainfully)—Chuck it, Smarty! What'd they scratch for, when there was only two fleas?—The Bohemian.

—"So you will contribute nothing to our campaign fund?" said the discouraged collector. "Nothing whatever," answered Mr. Dustin Stax. "A candidate nowadays should be sufficiently popular to make his magazine articles and copyright photographs supply his own campaign funds."—Washington (D. C.) Star.

Don't Get A Divorce.

A western judge granted a divorce on account of ill-temper and bad health. Dr. King's New Life Pills would have prevented it. They cure constipation, causing bad breath and Liver Trouble the ill-temper, dispel colds, banish headaches, conquer chills. 25c at R. R. Bellamy.



A WRECK ON THE ROAD

What a Collision Means to the Man at the Throttle.

PLIGHT OF THE ENGINEER.

The Chances He Has to Take and His Fate Should He Become Crippled In a Smashup—There Are Some Things Worse Than Physical Pain.

"I just dropped in to tell you that the coroner's jury has exonerated you from all blame for the wreck. They are going to hold the block tower man."

The old engineer turned his pain drawn face toward me. A white capped nurse gently brushed back the wild hairs from his forehead.

"Thank you, miss," he said, "and you, too, sir, for the good news. I knew they couldn't blame it on me, because it was white at Mentor. Poor Denny, he'd tell you so, too, if he was alive. 'All white!' he shouted when we came round the curve, and I gave him the answer, 'All white!' and pulled her wide open. Then we struck the empties on the siding, and—well, you know the rest." He wiped a trembling hand across his eyes as if trying to blot out some horrible vision.

His eyes began to sparkle, and a bit of color flashed into his pale cheeks. "I suppose you fellows think I opened her up and went into those boxes just for fun." A smile flitted over his lips, and then he grew serious. "Say, did it ever come to your mind that an engineer might be as anxious about his own life as he is about the lives of those who are riding behind him? My wife and little one—don't you suppose my life counts for something with them?

"Did you ever stop to think what a collision like that at Mentor means to the engineer? Just try to figure yourself in his place. He rides in four square feet of cab room, surrounded by a mass of levers, rods and the like. Ahead of him is about three miles of boiler pipe, carrying 200 pounds of steam pressure and enough hot water to cook the meat off his bones in a jiffy. Clattering at his back is 6,000 gallons of water and 26,000 pounds of coal. Under him is 200,000 pounds of engine, and behind there is 600,000 pounds of train. Altogether he is running along ahead of 800,000 pounds of steel, hardwood and brass held to an eighty pound rail by three-quarters of an inch of wheel flange.

"Why, when one of those big Russian battleships fired a broadside at the Japanese the whole thing amounted only to 24,000 pounds, so the papers say. And that 24,000 pounds traveling eight miles a minute would strike a Japanese ship eight miles away with an impact only one-tenth of the force we hit the empties at Mentor.

"Of course I was the engineer and they depended on me. There is always a lot of fine talk about engineers having the lives of several hundred passengers in their hands. That's all very true, but you don't want to overlook the fact that the engineer's life is right there along with the others. We all take chances, the train crew as well as the passengers, only our chances are slimmer. I had one chance in 500 of being killed, or one in twenty-five of getting right where I am now, but a passenger on the train had one chance in about 3,000,000 of being killed and one in 130,000 of being hurt.

"I see that a lot of people were killed and a whole lot more hurt. I don't want to be a grumbler, but it appears to me that you fellows have kinder overlooked the fact that both of my legs are gone. Of course that might not mean much to you, but if you realized, as I do, that for the rest of my life it is going to be my job to hobble out into the middle of some country road and wave a white flag as every train goes by—if you could realize what that means to an engineer—to hear the mocking toot of the whistle as she comes up to the crossing and to see the sympathetic salute of the engineer and fireman as they go flying by—I tell you, my boy, there are some things worse than physical pain."

His eyes filled with tears. The nurse gently wiped them away and softly stroked back the hair.

"I wouldn't talk any more now," she said.

"All right, miss," he replied, putting out his hand to me. "I always obey orders."—B. R. Winslow in New York Tribune.

A Free Translation.

"And you say the idiot of a teacher told you that you had an extravagant fool of a father?"

"That's what he meant."

"But what did he say?"

"He said it was criminal folly to waste money on the education of such a chump as I am."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Nothing Left.

"Have you," asked the judge of a recently convicted man, "anything to offer the court before sentence is passed?"

"No, your honor," replied the prisoner; "my lawyer took my last farthing."—London Tit-Bits.

The Last Word.

Conductor—This here transfer expired an hour ago, lady. The Lady (digging in her purse snappishly)—No wonder with not a single ventilator open in the whole car!—Puck.

If you would relish your food, labor for it.—Danish Proverb.

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SCHEME OF AN OLD COBBLER

How the Connecticut Shoemaker's Idea Was Taken Up and Worked Out—A Timepiece That Came to Be Known All Over the World.

In a small country town in Connecticut lived a cobbler. He was a poor man and a peculiar one. The boys called him a "gene," and some thought him crazy. But he kept on in the even tenor of his way, living his own life and thinking his own thoughts. One of these thoughts was that he could make a watch that would have only three wheels.

A watchmaker out of a job heard of the cobbler and called at his little shop. This was the beginning of the famous Waterbury watch, which was the first cheap watch to be manufactured. It is now a thing of the past. But its cheap price and its remarkably long "wind" (it was a stem winder) were known around the world.

The Waterbury was named for the town where it was made. It had more than the three wheels that the cobbler had planned, but the little old shoemaker's idea was the original germ from which was evolved the successful cheap watch.

Having got the idea, the purchaser of the cobbler's rights found that the first difficulty in his path was lack of money. He looked about for a man with money enough, nerve enough and imagination enough to lead him to render the financial aid without which no first step could be taken. He was found, because it was a Yankee with an indomitable will that was looking for him.

"How much money will it take and how long a time do you want before you can begin to make your watches in sufficient quantities to make the thing a success," he inquired.

"I will be frank with you," replied the inventor. "It will require $25,000, and I shall need eight months for preparation."

"Go ahead," said the daring capitalist.

He went ahead. He met unexpected difficulties and had spent $250,000 and used up twenty-eight months before he turned out a single watch. But the capitalist never faltered. Then the factory, for which every piece of machinery had to be invented and specially made, turned out its first thousand watches.

Not one of them would go! Among other things, it was found that the sheets of brass out of which were stamped the wheels of the watch had a grain somewhat like wood. The wheels cut out round would not stay round.

This difficulty being remedied, a second thousand watches were made. A large number of these went, but the percentage of "stoppers" (watches that refused to go) was still too large.

New study, new experiments, however, finally perfected the cheap little timekeepers to the point of perfection that only about 10 per cent were stoppers. The good watches were tested in six positions—lying on the face, on the back and in four positions on the edge. The maker of each part stamped his mark on the part he made, so that if fault was found in that part he must make it right.

Then came the question of selling the watches, and over $800,000 was spent in the years of its vogue in advertising the Waterbury watch. Some of the methods used were interesting.

A negro minstrel troupe were paid to open their show by saying, "We have come from Waterbury, the land of eternal spring," referring to the long time required to wind the Waterbury watch.

One day the owner of one of these timepieces was winding it on the train. Across the aisle a traveler noted that his neighbor was winding his watch. It caused no thought until a second look and then a third showed the winding still under way. Then the astonished man spoke. "Excuse me, sir, but are you winding a watch?"

"Yes," said the winding owner, "and I'm tired of it. You wind awhile, will you?" This led to explanations and resulted in the ordering by the stranger, who had never before seen a Waterbury, of 50,000 watches for the use of his business house in its China trade.

The great business went on, and large sums of money were made in it. All over the world people were buying these watches, so cheap were they. All over the world people laughed at the "long wind." The old backer of the enterprise had died, and one of his successors felt indignant because his son in traveling in some remote part of Hungary was asked if the Waterbury he came from was the place where the watch with a long wind was made.

"And," said the man, "I don't want the product of my factory laughed about all over the earth." But his ambition led him to try to make a good watch. The new field he soon found was by this time occupied by most successful competitors, and after getting into hopeless indebtedness the old Waterbury Watch company died in the house of those who should have been its friends.—John F. Simmons in New York Tribune.

Had Him.

Cynical Man—Nature must have been dreaming when she made woman. New Woman—She must have had a Welsh rabbit nightmare when she made man.—Bohemian Magazine.

A Nightmare Yankee

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Bill Meacham, private —th Pennsylvania infantry, escaped prisoner of war, stood at the edge of a wood looking at a house standing in the center of a plantation. Bill's stomach was as empty as a haversack at the end of a two weeks' campaign, and he was wondering if he dare go to the house and ask for something to eat. Would he rather starve or run the risk of going back to that frightful prison pen? Then he looked himself over. He had no head covering whatever, and the last time his hair had been combed was before the fight in which he had been captured three months agone. Half a leg of his trousers was missing as well as the right sleeve of his coat and a part of the left sleeve. As to the coat's skirt, it hung in rag festoons. One old rubber shoe and a bit of blanket constituted his foot covering. It was not danger alone that caused him to hesitate. It was pride.

However, hunger conquered both pride and prudence, and he went to the house. Passing through a flower garden, he suddenly came upon a girl making up a bouquet. On seeing Bill she dropped a pair of big scissors, giving a slight scream at the same time. Bill's hand naturally went up to his head; but, not finding any hat there to doff deferentially, he attempted to propitiate the girl with an admiring smile. It produced an effect similar to that of a dirty faced grinning skeleton. The girl shrank back.

"Don't be afraid of me," pleaded Bill. "I'm harmless, quite harmless." He paused a moment to arrest the ravage of a grayback. "I might as well own up that I'm an escaped prisoner of war."

"A Yankee!"

"Yes, a Yankee, but not a dangerous one just now unless for vermin, and I'd be ever so obliged if you'd give me a bit of corn pone or something to keep me from starving."

Bill's tone was sad, and by this time the girl began to take in the pitiful situation. She was very young and her sympathies easily touched. She stood for a moment thinking, then said:

"We're all loyal to the south up at the house, and if you go there we'd have to give you up. Get under that rosebush, where you will not be seen, and I'll bring you something."

Bill gave her a grateful look, which, though grewsome, didn't frighten her so much this time. She went toward the house, and he crawled under the bush. Presently she came back with some scraps she had gathered from the breakfast table rolled in a napkin, gave them to Bill and told him he'd better be off. Bill, in his gratitude forgetting himself, advanced to clasp her hand, but she darted back with a bit of a shriek, then, seeing that she had hurt his feelings, said:

"It isn't you I'm afraid of; it's the vermin."

Well, Bill backed away from her so as not to show the remains of his protruding shirt tail and went on his way.

When the war ended Bill got a commission in the regular army. During the administration of President Grant he was on duty in Washington, which meant that he lounged most of the day and attended social functions in the evening. It was not long before he married the daughter of a southern congressman, and a very happy match he made.

One morning he kissed his wife and went to his office in the war department, as usual. About 11 o'clock Mrs. Meacham was informed by a maid that there was a tramp at the door who insisted on seeing the lady of the house. "But I wouldn't advise you to go down; he's the worst lookin' beast I ever saw." Mrs. Meacham sent the maid back to tell the man that she was busy, and the maid returned with the information that the man was bound to see the lady, and if she didn't come down he would go up. If there had been telephones in those days Mrs. Meacham would have called the police. But telephones had not yet been invented, and there was no man in the house. Mrs. Meacham finally determined to go down. There in the hall stood the tramp. He wore no hat on his uncombed hair, but little more than half of his clothing was available, one foot was incased in a piece of blanket, the other in a rubber shoe. Mrs. Meacham's terror was somewhat mollified by seeing one or two brass buttons on his coat.

"My husband is in the war department," she gasped. "Go to him. He'll provide for you and see that you are taken care of by the government."

The man suddenly put his hand to his hair and clinched something.

"For heaven's sake," cried the lady, "don't bring vermin into this house! Go away! Call on Major Meacham. He'll attend to your case."

"It's hard lines," whined the tramp, "when a man can't get a crust in his own house."

"Good gracious, ma'am," exclaimed the maid, "he's mad!"

The tramp looked at Mrs. Meacham and smiled, a horrible grin which, once seen, would never be forgotten. "Don't you remember the Yankee you fed one day in the flower garden down in Dixie?"

Yes, Mrs. Meacham remembered him. She had never forgotten him.

"Oh, heavens," she wailed, "have I married that horrible nightmare of a Yankee? Why didn't you tell me?"

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Wednesday, January 6, 1909.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 6, 1909.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Tuesday, Jan. 5.

Temperature at 8 A. M. 61 degrees; 8 P. M. 58 degrees; maximum 62 degrees; minimum 57 degrees; mean 60 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .85; for the month, .88 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville ——at 8 A. M. — feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair and decidedly colder Wednesday and Thursday, cold wave in west portion Wednesday, brisk northwest winds.

Port Calendar—Jan. 6.

Sun Rises.....7:10 A. M.
Sun Sets.....5:03 P. M.
Day's Length.....9 hrs. 51 min.
High water at Southport 8:13 P. M.
High water at Wilmington 10:04 P. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Palace Market—Tomatoes.
Hewlett & Price—Our Purr-Puss.
Crystal Palace—This Week's Bill.
National Cash Register Co.—Think of It!
Boylan & Hancock—Edwin Clapp Shoes.
Academy of Music—Princess of Patches.

Business Locals.

Lost—A Bird Pup.
Lost—Elk Emblem.
Dog Lost—Black and Tan.
For Sale—High Grade Piano.
Davis Stables—Elegant Station Wagon.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. J. B. Bustin, of Mt. Airy, has returned home after a visit of several days in the city.

—Mr. Joseph Hester, of Richardson, Bladen county, was in the city yesterday on a business trip.

—Homer L. Lyon, Esq., of Bladen, was in the city yesterday on professional business.

—Miss Mattie Bloodworth has returned from a visit of a few weeks to Jacksonville and St. Augustine, Fla., where she was the guest of friends.

—Lieut. Lee Gore, of the cadet battalion at Bingham School, Mebane, N. C., returned yesterday to resume his studies after spending the holidays in Wilmington.

—Mr. W. C. Peterson, Jr., has returned to Wake Forest College to resume his studies after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Peterson.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Fetter, Jr., have returned from a visit of some length to Littleton, N. C., where they visited relatives and where Mr. Fetter joined a hunting expedition. They were accompanied on their return to Wilmington by Mrs. Fetter's sister, Miss Irma Johnston, of Littleton, who will be their guest for some time.

NO HOOK WORM HERE

Thirteen-Year-Old White Lad Slays Wild Cat in Pender Countyy.

The Star's good friend, Mr. E. D. Pearsall, at Rocky Point, on Monday evening mailed to the shop, which was duly received, properly labeled and inscribed, the left hind-foot of what purports to have been a "grave-yard wildcat," an earnest of Mr. Pearsall's best wishes to the paper for the New Year. The wild cat was killed one day last week by Ezekiel Watkins, the 13-year-old grandson of Mr. Obed Watkins, of R. F. D. No. 1, Pender county. The boy was hunting birds; he came on the cat devouring a rabbit which he had captured in the woods. The animal snarled and spit at young Watkins, but a boy who can kill bears, fears no wild cat and he laid the feline low with his single-barrelled shot gun. Mr. Pearsall makes the very pertinent observation that "there are no hook worms on this boy" and the Star quite agrees. As Mr. Pearsall says, Roosevelt would do well to take young Watkins along to the jungles of Africa to shoot "hippos and rhinos." The cat's paw—and a big one it is—has been given a prominent place in the Star's collection of curiosities and antiquities.

Y. M. C. A. MASS MEETING

Mr. C. K. Ober Secured As Speaker For This Occasion—Directors.

The directors of the Y. M. C. A. held a conference last evening and plans for the big mass meeting on January 17th at the Academy of Music were considered. The meeting which will be under the auspices of the local Y. M. C. A. workers here, will mark a new era in the life of the Association.

Mr. C. K. Ober, International Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, an eminent speaker and well known worker, of Richmond, Va., has accepted the invitation to deliver the formal address on this occasion. Much local interest is being manifested in the approaching meeting and the speaker will doubtless be greeted by a large audience.

The First "Drunk" Since New Year.

The first "drunk" arrested by the police since New Year's night when a 16-year-old boy was picked up in the northern part of the city and confessed that he had bought his "liker" before prohibition went into effect, was corralled by Officer Joe Lane at Front and Dock streets last night. He gave the name of George Silvia and when questioned closely by Acting Captain C. S. Burnett as to the source of his supply, said that he had just arrived on the afternoon train and had brought along a jug from Newbern! He will be the most conspicuous offender before the Mayor at the noon session of police court today.

LOCAL DOTS.

—First Church of Christ, Scientist, Market and 17th streets: Services this evening at 8:15 P. M. All are invited.

—Not a single case appeared on the police docket for trial in the Mayor's court yesterday. In comparison with the same day last year, three cases were tried.

—Joseph Rhodes, colored, was tried in Justice Bornemann's court yesterday on the charge of assaulting his wife, and the case dismissed with the cost, upon his agreement with the prosecuting witness to leave her.

—News reached the city yesterday of the burning of the barn, stables and mules of Mr. Buck Pierce, about three miles from Warsaw, on Monday night. The origin of the fire and other particulars of the loss were not learned.

—The difficulty among a number of Greeks, referred to in yesterday's Star, occurred on Market street and not at the Dixie Cafe, on Princess street, as was erroneously stated. The Dixie Cafe has always been maintained in a quiet and very orderly manner by the proprietors, who are among the best of their colony in Wilmington.

MRS. CATHARINE AMANDA ROURK

Passed Away Recently at Her Home in Brunswick County—The Funeral.

There passed away at her home at Shallotte, Brunswick county, on the afternoon of Saturday, December 26th, one of Brunswick county's most estimable and lovable women, Mrs. Catharine Amanda Rourk, relict of the late Peter Rourk, of that county, and known far and wide in the community in which she lived for her noble Christian character, her gentle disposition, her devotion to family and friends.

Mrs. Rourk before marriage was Miss Catharine Amanda Wescott and was born June 19th 1833, being in the 76th year of her age when she passed away. She was married in June 1860 to the late Peter Rourk, a prominent merchant and naval store operator of the county, who passed away November 28th 1881 in the 54th year of his age. Mrs. Rourk became suddenly ill on Christmas eve while about her household duties and she remained conscious only a short time, lingering till the day following Christmas at 3:45 P. M. when she breathed her last in spite of all that could be done by two physicians, one of whom was her relative Dr. J. A. Stone, who remained continuously at her bedside until the last. Mr. W. A. Rourk, of this city, a son, had gone to his old home the Wednesday before Christmas to spend the holidays and was with his mother from the first. The only other absent member of the family was Mr. J. W. Rourk, of Savannah, Ga., and he came in response to a telegram announcing the critical illness of his mother, reaching her bedside by a long drive across the country shortly before she passed away. Other members of the family surviving are Miss Marie E. Rourk, Mr. G. T. Rourk and ex-Sheriff Peter Rourk, all of Shallotte. The sorrowing ones have the tenderest sympathy of all in the sorrow that has come to them.

The funeral of Mrs. Rourk was conducted by Rev. Mr. Cox, a Presbyterian minister, the Sunday following her death from the late residence and there were in attendance hundreds of people for miles around. Mrs. Rourk was a consistent member of the Methodist church from girlhood and the services were by Rev. Mr. Cox in the absence of her pastor. The remains were laid tenderly to rest in the family burying ground beside the grave of her late husband.

THE PROHIBITION SITUATION.

Hospital Managers May Not Want the Dispensary—Near Beer Saloons.

Capt. Walter G. MacRae, the president, and one or two other of the influential members of the Board of Managers of the James Walker Memorial Hospital, were asked yesterday if the Board would likely accede to the request of the Board of County Commissioners for the Legislature to designate that institution as a dispensary for the sale of alcohol only upon prescription of a physician according to the plan outlined at the regular meeting Monday. They replied that the question had not yet come up to them officially and Capt. MacRae said that when it did, he would convene the Board to pass upon the matter; that while the Board would do everything possible to assist the authorities of county and city in the enforcement of the law they could not afford to have the good name of the institution open to criticism and would carefully consider every phase of the question before acting. It is proposed to have the hospital dispense through its pharmacy only the alcohol and no intoxicating beverages, contrary to the supposition of some who had not read carefully the account of the commissioners' meeting.

There was also yesterday some misapprehension of the action of the Aldermen in regard to the sale of near beer and similar products. The refusal of the Board to recognize the beverage as more than the ordinary soda fountain product means that it may be sold with no extra license and will be regarded as a soft drink unless samples of the same prove a sufficient per cent. of alcohol to produce intoxication in which event the sellers will be prosecuted the same as violators of the law regarding the sale of liquor. The refusal to license the beverage was intended by the Aldermen to make its sale general so that regular near beer saloons, where the tendency would be to slip in something stronger, would be few. The Mayor recognizes that no harm can come of the low per cent. concoctions now being put out but does recognize the substitution of higher per cent. drinks under the name of the less harmful preparations.

Orion Lodge to Install.

At the regular meeting of Orion Lodge No. 67, I. O. O. F. tonight the officers recently elected will be installed by Lodge Deputy J. E. Silvia, assisted by other past grands, after which a smoker will be enjoyed. All Odd Fellows are most cordially invited

The Theatre

The inclement weather hurt the attendance yesterday at the Crystal Palace, but at that the theatre did big business under the circumstances. Monday the banner business of the season was recorded and the mammoth attendance was greatly delighted with the bill. It is beyond dispute that the offering this week is one of the brightest and snappiest ever made at the Palace and is, perhaps, the prettiest, because there is an atmosphere of newness about each act. The harp playing of Chas. V. Clark is a big feature and he never fails to get three and four encores. For encores he presents rag-time playing on the big harp and these numbers are received with vigorous applause. The Edinger Sisters are also big favorites, being pretty and charming little ladies who sing and dance well. Pretty light effects are used during their act. The other acts, those of McCarthy and Barth and Lee Edmunds, are also clever.

Essanay Films at Bijou.

The Bijou will offer this afternoon and evening as the new bill two high-class films from "the house of comedy hits," as the Essanay Mfg. Co., has come to be known. The first is "The Impersonator's Jokes," a most interesting picture embodying many humorous situations, all made possible by the clever work of a chaarcter impersonator, and the second is "An All-Wool Garment," an original comedy full of long, hearty laughs. It is the story of a business man who changes his Summer underwear for Winter garments and has all sorts of experiences with the new covering. There is no advance in prices and a half hour's fine entertainment is given for the small sum of five cents.

"A Knight For a Day."

The big musical gaiety, "A Knight For a Day," with its record of over six hundred night at the Whitney in Chicago, six months at Wallack's in New York, and all the past Summer at the Tremont in Boston, will be seen in its entirety Friday night at the Academy of Music. Comedian Frank Deshon, whose clever impersonation of the nervy little waiter masquerading as a knight, elicited the unanimous praise of the Boston critics and theatregoers will be seen in the same delightful comedy role and the production is one typical of the B. C. Whitney trade-mark, which means in addition to some of the most unique electrical surprises a chorus of rare beauty and talent including a number of miniature maidens in dainty dances devised by that wizard of chorus numbers, Gus Sohlke. Seats will go on sale tomorrow.

"The Princess of Patches."

The Academy will offer this well known dramatic success for matinee and evening Saturday and it will be given by a most capable one-night stand company, while the production will be made with a car-load of special scenery. The plot of the play is an interesting and stirring one, but to add interest a large number of musical numbers have been interpolated and will be given by clever vaudeville people. By special arrangement the prices have been reduced for the engagement here and seats for the night will go only to 75 cents and will be on sale Friday. The matinee will be made a popular one by having no reserved seats, the prices being 25 and 50 cents.

TEN MINUTES AHEAD

Coast Line's Fast Train Arrived Better Than on Time Yesterday.

The New York and Florida Special of the Atlantic Coast Line, on its initial trip yesterday from New York reached Jacksonville, Fla., ten minutes ahead of time, the fast train having been switched in as the first section of a regular train in order that this additional fast time might be made. The train left New York at 2:10 P. M. Monday with 89 passengers on board, 83 of whom took the entire trip through to St. Augustine. The train crew consisted on the various stages of its flight from the "frozen North" to the tropical climate of Florida, of the most efficient employes of the company and the time accomplished without the slightest hitch or delay is a compliment to their skill. The train this season is the finest ever turned out of the Pullman works and consists entirely of drawing room, sleeping, parlor, dining room and observation cars. The train will carry through sleepers from New York to St. Augustine, Palm Beach, Miami and Knight's Key. The train leaves Jacksonville daily except Sunday at 12:50 P. M. and arrives at New York at 4:15 o'clock the following afternoon.

EARTHQUAKE SUFFERERS

Local Branch, National Red Cross Society Will Forward Contributions.

Those who have been reading of the great earthquake horror in Italy and have been pleased to note the large contributions made and handled by the National Red Cross Society, will be interested in the announcement that the local branch of the Society is not unmindful of its duties in this respect and will be pleased to receive and forward all contributions for the sufferers. Any who may desire to make contributions to this most worthy charity in the shadow of a very great calamity may send their donations to Mrs. Allan Nichols, treasurer of the local branch of the society, at "The Carolina." She will be pleased to receive and acknowledge any and all contributions.

Passenger train No. 1, due at Hinton, W. Va., early yesterday and running three hours late, ran into an open switch at Caperton, 30 miles from Hinton, killing Engineer Thomas Edwards, next to the oldest engineer on the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad, and Fireman Peter Trent, residents of Huntington. The engine and four cars were ditched. Express Messenger W. L. Crenshaw was slightly injured, but none of the passengers was seriously injured.

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PARDON FOR CONVICT.

Success of Former Wilmingtonian—Surprise Marriage—A Charter.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 5.—W. P. Mangum Turner, a prominent young attorney of Lexington, was here today and procured a pardon for Babe Proctor, who was serving six months on the Davidson county roads for selling liquor without license Recently he exposed a plot on the part of other convicts to break out of the stockade and it is for this and for good behavior generally that he gets the pardon.

It is gratifying to his many friends to know that Mr. Turner, who was a successful newspaper man in Greensboro, Wilmington and Raleigh, has already attained a large degre of success at the Lexington bar.

Raleigh had a surprise wedding yesterday that stirred a distinct sensation in social circles. Mr. Thomas Badger, Jr., and Miss Janet McGruder Stronach strolled around to Christ Episcopal church at noon and were married by Rev. Milton Barber, the rector. They went on the afternoon train to Fayetteville where they will reside. Mr. Badger is a son of Judge Thomas Badger, Raleigh's police justice, and Miss Stronach is a daughter of Capt. A. B. Stronach. Both families are prominent socially.

George Mitchell, a well known printer, who has been estranged from his wife and has been out of Raleigh for some time, came here today and obtained possession of his two children who were with the mother. He procured a carriage, drove around the city until he found the children in the street, took them in the carriage and drove away. It is understood that he carried them to Durham. No legal steps have been taken to determine which parent shall have the custody of the children.

With a capital stock of $10,000, the People's Hardware and Furniture Co., of Rowland, is chartered to do a general hardware business. The company will begin business with $5,000. The incorporators are H. K. McCormac and Arch Baker, of Rowland, and C. T. Morrow, of Red Springs.

The grand jury returns a true bill against Earle Cotton, Tim Holderfield and 'Red" Hopkins charging robbery and murder of Dr. E. W. Smith, of Richmond, Va., here the night of November 14th. Cotton and Holderfield have been in jail awaiting the action of the grand jury. Hopkins was released some weeks ago.

THE COURTESY APPRECIATED

Mayor Springer Addresses Letter to Chief Executive of Utica, N. Y.

The following letter which was addressed yesterday by Mayor Springer to the Mayor of Utica, N. Y., is self explanatory:

"Hon. Thomas Wheeler, Mayor of Utica, N. Y.

"Dear Sir: It is with profound appreciation of the courtesies shown as well as of the spirit which prompted them that I write to thank you, your Council, and the citizens of your municipality in general, for the warmth and cordiality of the honors accorded the Reverend James A. Smith of this City upon his recent visit to Utica.

"The resolution of your Common Council, so feelingly endorsed by yourself as the Executive of the City and as a gallant veteran of that great war, and the kindliness of the language of the surviving Union veterans of Fort Fisher, build still higher the monument of respect and love over the grave in which lies buried the bitterness of that fratricidal strife.

"In behalf of this City, of its people in general, and of those who fought at Fort Fisher, I beg you to accept our acknowledgements.

"Very truly yours,
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MRS RANKIN IN COURT

Heard Argument of Major Hal Holmes, Who Opened For State—Two of Accused Men Gazed Closely at Her—Details.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Union City, Tenn., Jan. 5.—Arguments on behalf of the defense in the case of the alleged night riders charged with the murder of Captain Quenten Ranken will begin soon after court open's tomorrow. The case should go to the jury about noon Thursday when Attorney General Caldwell has concluded the final argument for the prosecution.

For the first time during the trial Mrs. Quentin Ranken, widow of the man for whose murder the eight alleged night riders are on trial, was in court today when the arguments began. Accompanied by a score or more of women friends, Mrs. Ranken was escorted to a seat within the bar. She was clad in deep mourning. Major Hal Holmes opened for the State.

As the attorney in an eloquent way pictured Captain Ranken as one of the cleanest, purest men in Tennessee, and described his fearful end, Mrs. Ranken broke down and leaning her heavily veiled head upon the shoulder of her sister, the little widow sobbed piteously. Two of the accused men gazed closely at her, their faces working involuntarily. They were Tid Burton and Bob Hoffman. The latter is the man, who, according to at least two witnesses, fired the shot that pierced Quintin Ranken's heart as he was hanging, slowly strangling to death, from the forked tree at Walnut Log.

Mrs. Ranken raised her head a moment and caught sight of the faces of the two men as they looked at her. She shivered and turned her face away. The defendants settled back into their seats and did not again look at Mrs. Ranken.

Juror Rosson was able to be in court again today though he has a fully developed case of measles and evidently suffered considerably.

Major Holmes in his argument traced the history of the night riders from the time they organized until an hour after the murder of Captain Ranken when, according to Witness Garrell Johnson, one of the accused, assembled the riders and said: "Burn your masks and keep a still tongue about this night's business because there is going to be hell about it."

VIRGINIAN RAILROAD

Is Completed From Norfolk to Roanoke—First Train.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Roanoke, Va., Jan. 5.—The first train over the Virginian railroad to run through from Norfolk to Roanoke reached here this afternoon. The bridge over Roanoke river, 27 miles east of Roanoke was finished this morning. The road is now completed from Roanoke to Norfolk, a distance of two hundred and forty three miles, and from Roanoke to Rich Creek on the west, a distance of seventy-seven miles.

The Long bridge across New river will be completed within two weeks and trains then can run from Norfolk to Deepwater, West Virginia, the western terminus, a distance of four hundred and forty six miles. The grade is two-thirds of one per cent. and one locomotive will haul fifty ton coal cars loaded from the coal fields to the sea. One engine will pull eighty empties back to the mountains from the ocean.

The road has been built by Henry Rogers, the Standard Oil magnate and for distance it has the lowest grade of any road in the world, it is said.

END MOVING PICTURE WAR.

Consolidation of Manufacturers Will Greatly Reduce Shows.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 5.—A $15,000,000 merger according to announcement made tonight will end a moving picture war that has been in progress for many months. The merger is a consolidation of the interests of moving picture material manufacturers and operators and will result it is stated, in crowding out of the business nearly 50 per cent. of the moving picture places now in existence.

George Klein, of Chicago, representing several foreign manufacturers, is credited with bringing about the merger, which is to be known as the Motion Picture Patents Company. This company took over all the patent rights of the Edison, Birgraph, Armat, Jenkins, Pross, Vitagraph and Campbell companies. It is planned, it is stated, to do away with the sale outright of films, which hereafter can only be rented from the Film Service Association.

Should this plan go into effect, it is likely that within thirty days the number of moving picture places will be reduced about one-half.

COLD WAVE COMING

Decidedly Colder Weather is Promised For Tonight.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Jan. 5.—Decidedly colder weather is promised by the weather bureau for the Eastern half of the country tomorrow. The cold wave which is coming from the Northwest will reach the Atlantic coast and the eastern part of the Gulf of Mexico tomorrow night. The sections lying between the Mississippi river and the Appalachians will experience much colder weather during the day.

STARTLED BY EXPLOSION.

Lumberton Citizens Can't Account For Strange Phenomenon There.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Lumberton, N. C., Jan. 5.—At 9 o'clock tonight considerable excitement was caused by a report of what seemed to be some kind of an explosion, but which is yet unexplained. Reports from different parts of town are that buildings were shaken causing many people to hurry out to investigate.

WARM WIRELETS.

The President yesterday afternoon signed the bill passed by both houses of Congress yesterday appropriating $800,000 for the relief of the Italian sufferers.

A Japanese butler employed at the home of Howard Butcher, Jr., in Bryn Mawr, near Philadelphia last night shot Bertha Treserson, a pretty white maid in the household, wounding her in the mouth. He then shot and killed himself. The girl says the Japanese shot her upon her refusal to marry him.

Strenuous efforts will be made by the Lincoln Centennial Endowment Committee of which Frederick Townsend Martin is president, A. S. Webb, treasurer and General O. D. Howard, secretary, to raise by February 12th the sum of $500,000 as an endowment fund for the Lincoln Memorial University at Cumberland Gap, Tennessee.

AGAINST OIL TRUST.

Trial of Cases to Continue Notwithstanding Court's Ruling.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Jan. 5.—The statement was made today on authority that notwithstanding the refusal of the United States Supreme Court to grant a writ of certerorari in the Standard Oil case yesterday, the Department of Justice will at once proceed with the trial of the numerous cases pending in different districts either against the Standard Oil Company for receiving rebates or against the railroads for granting them to the Standard Oil Company, involving the same questions and which have been awaiting the action of the Supreme Court on the application for the writ. These include the cases in the Northern district of Illinois and suits in the Western district of Tennessee, the Southern district of California and the Western district of New York.

Chicago, Jan. 5.—"The Standard Oil Company is not yet out of the woods." With these words United States District Attorney Simms today made his first comment on yesterday's ruling of the Supreme Court of the United States, which prevents the Government from collecting Judge Landis' famous $29,240,000 fine.

"The big fine case will be re-docketed within a few weeks," said Mr. Simms, "and may be on trial within two weeks."

The district attorney explained that even by fining the Standard on a basis of settlements for freights instead of regarding each car lot as a separate offense, the Government may collect $40,000 from the oil fines if convictions are obtained on all indictments which may be renewed against the corporation.

TELLS DRAMATIC STORY

Mrs. Catherine Beisel, Gives Detail Account of Killing of Captain Erb.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Media, Pa., Jan. 5.—The story of the tragedy as related by Mrs. Catherine Beisel was the dramatic feature of the proceedings today in the trial of Mrs. Catherine and Mrs. Florence Erb charged with the murder of the latter's husband. Captain J. Clayton Erb on October 6. Mrs. Beisel, who confessed that she shot Erb, resumed the story of the crime when court opened and for several hours she passed through a most trying ordeal.

Sobbing violently the witness stood upright in the witness box and in a voice chocked with emotion exclaimed: "I shot him; I pulled the trigger; I don't know how many times—then all was dark."

Described the struggle with Captain Erb, when it is alleged he chased Mrs. Erb, revolver in hand, on the fateful night Mrs. Beisel said:

"He came towards me and as he came I sprang at him. I don't know exactly how it happened. We tussled over the hall for the revolver. He pushed me against the door. He had me up against the wall beside the bath room door. I was braced against the door and I tried to hold him off. I gave an awful push and broke loose. He caught me again. I had the pistol and I fired. I was afraid he'd kill my sister."

The witness pointed as with an imaginary revolver as she repeated the story and then dropped back into her seat. "Everything grew dark after that and I don't know what happened," she said.

—Rocky Mount Record: Little short of marvelous was an occurrence of yesterday when little Cora Brinkley, the five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Brinkley, was backed over by the railroad coach that carries employes to and from this city to South Rocky Mount. The entire length of the car passed over the child, who was playing in the middle of the track, and persons who saw her perilous position turned away in order that they would not behold the horrible sight of an innocent one ground under the wheels. The train was moving at a slow rate of speed, and it was due to the presence of mind and quick action of one of the occupants of the train that emergency brakes were thrown on from the car and while this did not prevent the car from passing entirely over the child, it kept the engine from doing so, which would have killed her.

C. F. KING IN JAIL AGAIN.

He is Surrendered by One of His Bondsmen.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 5.—Cardenio F. King, the financial agent who was convicted last week of larceny and who has been out on bail of $35,000 since Saturday, was surrendered by one of his sureties, Mrs. Rosa Barnstein, in the Superior Court today and taken back to the detention penitentiary. Mrs. Barnstein was on King's bond for $4,000. King was locked up for the night.

Fire on the steamer Texas, at Savannah, Ga., was finally extinguished yesterday after the local firemen had fought it five days and nights. It is expected that the steamer will be repaired here, where her maiden voyage from Christiania, Norway, for Havana ended so disastrously. The loss will be many thousands of dollars, though the survey has not been completed.

STEAMER ATLAS IN DISTRESS

Vessel That Recently Visited Wilmington Encounters Rough Voyage.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

St. Michaells, Jan. 5.—The British steamer Atlas, Captain Sargent, bound from Wilmington, N. C., light and from New York with cargo for Spezia and Genoa, has put into this port with loss of two boats and with sundry damage, having had heavy weather during the voyage during which a quantity of sea water entered the vessel's hold and damaged a part of her cargo. Additional damage was caused also in the forepeak of the Atlas by a fire which broke out there.

BOILING WATER IN OCEAN

Experience of Steamer of South Atlantic Coast.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 5.—Captain Thos. Spink, of the British steamer Conway, from Gulfport, Miss., for Havre via Norfolk, reports to the local hydrographer that while en route up the coast December 31st the Conway steamed through a wide area of bubblind or boiling water.

Captain Bunn of the British steamer Lord Dufferin recently made a similar report of such an occurrence on a different date.

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The following formula for making skimmilk paint will be of interest to all who desire a cheap paint that will wear well:

Stir into a gallon of skimmilk three pounds of portland cement, adding at the same time any paint in dry form that will give the color you desire. The milk will hold the paint in suspension, but the cement, being heavy, will sink; therefore it will be necessary to keep the mixture well stirred with a paddle. Mix only enough at a time for one day's use. If the mixture is not thoroughly stirred as you use it, it will get thicker and thicker and it will be necessary to thin it by adding more milk. Six hours after applying this paint it will be dry. It is not affected by weather.

Carbolic acid or any other disinfectant can be added, thus making it very effective for use in poultry houses and the stable. It makes an excellent paint for fences when colored drab by the addition of a little lampblack or a dull green by adding ocher and a small quantity of prussian blue.—E. B. Rexford in Outing Magazine.

His Enforced Trip.

One New York matron was discussing with another New York matron the misfortune which she considered had befallen the husband of a third New York matron.

"You see," she said, "he went down to the steamer with a friend who was going abroad and became so interested talking in the friend's cabin that he never noticed the warning whistle, and the steamer sailed with him on board. However, he sent a wireless to his wife so she wouldn't worry. I dare say he's been kicking himself about the ship ever since."

"Perhaps—and perhaps not," replied the second matron. "The fact is, he told my husband in confidence ten days ago that he intended to be carried off to Europe 'accidentally,' because it was the only way he could go without taking his wife along. But, for heaven's sake, don't mention the matter, my dear, because he told my husband in the strictest confidence."

Weather Forecasts.

The first attempt at scientific forecasting of the weather was the result of a storm which during the Crimean war, Nov. 14, 1854, almost destroyed the fleets of France and England. As a storm had raged several days earlier in France, Vaillant, the French minister of war, directed that investigations be made to see if the two storms were the same and if the progress of the disturbances could have been foretold. It was demonstrated that the two were in reality one storm and that its path could have been ascertained and the fleet forewarned in ample time to reach safety.

A Bird of Paradise.

Four-year-old Frances is happy to be allowed to attend Sunday school at the graystone Episcopal church whose spire is visible from her home. When she returned after her first attendance she was asked by a kindly caller, "Where did you go this morning, Frances?"

"I don't know the name of the church," she replied after a little thought, "but it's the one with the great long beak."—Exchange.

Language of the Hair.

A man can tell a great deal about a woman by studying the manner in which she dresses her hair. One who makes too much observance of the exactness of fashion is apt to be a stickler for form and in consequence an uncomfortable person. It is the woman who is able to discern the beautiful mean who meets all complexities pleasingly.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

A Horrible Hold-Up.

"About ten years ago my brother was "held up" in his work, health and happiness by what was believed to be hopeless Consumption," writes W. R. Lipscomb, of Washington, N. C. "He took all kinds of remedies and treatment from several doctors, but found no help till he used Dr. King's New Discovery and was wholly cured by six bottles. He is a well man today." It's quick to relieve and the surest cure for weak or sour lungs, Hemorrhages, Coughs and Colds, Bronchitis, La Grippe, Ahthma and all Bronchial affections. 50c and $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by R. R. Bellamy.

THE INNOCENT FOX.

Blamed For Offenses Committed by His Wicked Cousins.

We are often told of the fox as a destroyer of grouse, but I should like to hear the story of some eyewitnesses as to his work in this direction. It is very easy to find fox tracks about the remains of a bird and then say a fox did it. I believe that many of the offenses laid at his door are committed by weasels, mink and wildcats, or lynx.

During a part of the year I have known foxes to spend a part of each day digging among potato hills in a retired hollow for white grubs or mice in the adjoining fields and to return to the mountain at nightfall, passing a farm which was almost covered with young poultry out for grasshoppers. From an experience of about ten years in a locality where foxes abound I am convinced that this animal destroys but few, if any, chickens. Our trouble there was, first of all, hawks, then skunks, owls and raccoons. The fox never invaded the chicken coops or broke up the sitting turkeys out at the base of the mountain. Of course in winter a fox may sometimes trap a grouse in the snow at night, but who has ever seen a fox actually catch a grouse? Come, now, brothers of the forest, be honest and own up. I would be glad to learn how the fox does the trick, if any one has seen it done.—Forest and Stream.

Mild Hazing.

The proprietor of a plumbing establishment downtown has a poor opinion of goat initiations. A young man, dapper and twenty, came into his plumbing shop and asked to see an expensive porcelain bathtub. The proprietor explained at length the good qualities of a certain make.

"This seems to be an excellent one," said the young man.

Without warning he jumped into the bathtub, drew his coat closely around him and exclaimed: "Quick, turn on the water! I want to try it."

The proprietor thought he was insane and, soothing his head, said, "There, there, you're all right."

"Yes," the young man gurgled, splashing in the imaginary water; "it's very comfortable."

Then he began to squirm and splutter.

"Quick, quick!" he cried. "Turn off the water! I'm drowning!"

"Wait till I reach the faucet," said the proprietor softly, side stepping to the telephone.

Just at this moment two other young men, a trifle older, entered.

"Well, Bobby, had your bath?" they inquired.

"Yes."

"Then come down to the vegetarian restaurant and order a side of roast beef."—New York Globe.

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

The Star will send without charge, A. D. T. (Western Union) Messenger to your Place of Business or Residence for Advertisements for our Business Locals Department. 'Phone the Star office, No. 51.

Rates—25 cents for each insertion of twenty-five words, or less. Additional words, more than twenty-five, one cent per word in advance.

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A NICE HIGH GRADE PIANO for sale cheap, by party fixing to move away. Address "Student" care of Star and give street and number. ja 6-1t*

A BIRD PUP black and white spotted body, with reddish brown legs and ears. Report at 311 North Second street. Will upon delivery reward finder. ja 6-1t*

DOG LOST—Black and tan, answers to name of "Rex." Reward given if returned to J. H. Rehder, Eighth and Market streets. ja 6-3t.

ELEGANT Station Wagon, silver-trimmed harness, very gentle family horse, must be sold quick. Will sell separate if desired. Apply Davis stables. ja 6-3t.

LOST—Small Elk emblem pin, on Princess or Third street. Reward if returned to Russell at Crystal Palace. jan 6 1t.

FOR SALE—One No. 7 Remington Typewriter in service nine months, but slightly used. A bargain for cash. Address "D" Box 82, City. jan 3 2t*

FOR SALE—Four pool tables and set of mahogany bar fixtures. Right price for cash purchaser. Can see articles at 114 North Front street, Starkey's old stand. jan 5 3t

GOOD SOBER JOB PRINTER wanted. References exchanged. Record, Greensboro, N. C. Union. jan 3 3t

LUMBER AT RETAIL—Grades and prices right. See us before buying Angola Lumber Co. aug 30 tf

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	Huron River Rye, extra fine (bottled in bond)	3.95	7.65	11.50
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	1 Case 16 Half Pints and 16 Pints	5.83
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FOR SALE—A four-room cottage in center of city on car line. Has gas water, electric lights and telephone Splendid neighborhood. Address "B S. W." care of Star office. noc 25-tf

LOST—White bull dog, long tail and ears. Answers to the name of "Jack." Reward of $2 will be paid for its return to No. 10 South Fifth street. jan 5 3t

THE OLD RELIABLE, the Wilmington Pressing Club, is still running at the old stand on Second street. Others come and go, but the old Wilmington comes and stays. de 5-tf.

MOTHER'S, how can you take the chance? Keep a bottle of mother's joy in your house. You need mother's joy every day. nov 22 we-fr-su-tf

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MOTHER, do you hear that rattling in your baby's throat put a little of mother's joy on it and stop it at once. nov 22 we-fr-su-tf

FOR RENT—Store and warehouse 108 North Water street, at present occupied by J. S. Funchess & Co. Possession given at once. Apply to Morris Bear & Bros. au 5 su-we-fri-tf.

PUBLIC STENOGRAPHER, NOTARY PUBLIC—Expert work of any kind, anywhere, any time. Court reporting, depositions, medical papers. Notarial work. Meares Harriss, 114 Princess street. Phone 708; residence phone 546. sep 2 eod

FOR SALE AT BARGAIN—Seven handsome pictures, each a work of a master. Five of them oil paintings (one large), once property of Col. F. W. Kerchner. Can be seen upon application to J. E. Pool at Crystal Palace. jan 3 3t*

ATLANTIC COAST LINE RAILROAD COMPANY,

Office of the Treasurer.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 28th, 1908.

The Board of Directors of Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company has declared a dividend of two and one-half per cent. on the Common Capital Stock of that Company, payable at the office of the Treasurer, at Wilmington, North Carolina, on and after January 11th, 1909, to stockholders of record on the 18th day of December, 1908. The transfer books are closed from the 18th day of December, 1908, at three o'clock P. M., to the 12th day of January, 1909, at ten o'clock A. M., both dates inclusive.

JAMES F. POST,
jan 1 to 11. Treasurer.

TO MY FRIENDS.

I have combined my interest with that of The Wilmington Grocery Company, where, with a large, well selected stock of high grade and staple groceries, I will be better prepared to serve my customers than ever before.

With grateful appreciation for the liberal patronage of the past, I respectfully solicit the continued support of my customers in the future.

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At The Wilmington Grocery Company
ja 3-tf.

ASK THOSE WHO HAVE SEEN

This Week's BIG BILL!

Crystal Palace

That will be Sufficient.
jan 6 tf

SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—North Wilkesboro News: We noticed a car of mill stones at the depot this week for the W. C. Meadows Mill Company. This company is building up a nice business in their corn mills, shipping them to all parts of the country. Only a few days ago we noticed one of their mills being shipped to Oklahoma.

—Greensboro, Jan. 4.—The board of directors of the State Normal and Industrial College, in session here Saturday and Saturday night, after a thorough examination of the records and affairs of the college expressed great satisfaction with the financial and educational management of President Foust and his aids.

—Durham Sun: Mr. J. C. Angier has gone to Augusta, Ga., to meet President-elect Taft. Mr. Angier was one of the original Taft men in this county and led the fight that ousted the Cannon supporters in the county convention, or rather started the ball rolling that did oust them later at the State convention. He has gone to see the new President on some matters of business—possibly something of the political order.

—Lincolnton News: Sheriff G. Lee Heavner and Deputy L. M. Allen celebrated Christmas day by capturing a 20-gallon still about 2 1-2 miles south of town. This still was somewhat of a novelty inasmuch as it was made out of an old washpot, had a wood cap to it, and a pipe was run down into a small branch in place of a coil. The outfit was easily knocked to pieces and some impromptu moonshiner is probably thinking that Santa Claus played him a measly trick to upset his plans for Christmas booze.

—Greensboro Record: It was sent out from Raleigh and printed in many of the papers of the State yesterday morning that the Armour Packing Company was going to pull up and leave North Carolina. This is incorrect. Mr. R. N. Carrier, manager for Armour in this place is authority for this. He says the name of the company has recently been changed from Armour Packing Company to Armour & Co., and out of this change it is presumed the error originated.

—Greensboro Industrial News: Capt. James D. McNeill, of Fayetteville, was here last night en route to Salisbury to attend a call meeting of the executive committee of the State Firemen's Association to be held there today. At the meeting some action will be taken in regard to asking the Legislature to pass certain measures in aid of the State Firemen's Association. Captain McNeill is president of the National Firemen's Association and is also president of the State Firemen's Association.

—Salisbury Post: Distressing news was brought to Salisbury this morning of the burning, perhaps fatally, of little Eva Chamberlain, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee P. Chamberlain, tenants on Mr. W. M. Sapp's farm, six miles from the city. The fatality occurred about 8 o'clock while the mother was at the barn milking. The little girl's clothing caught from the open fire. She ran screaming to her mother, but her clothes were almost burned off before she reached her.

—Gazette-News: D. F. Summey, Jr., of Cincinnati, imperial prince of the Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan—that is to say, the highest officer of the supreme lodge of this social order of the Knights of Pythias—spent last night in Asheville, going today to Charlotte. Mr. Summey came here to confer with local votaries about the plans of the imperial palace, which is to meet in Asheville July 12-19, according to present plans.

—Wilson Times: One of our leading cotton merchants informed us today that only about 60 per cent. of the usual amount of cotton, some 8,000 bales, has been marketed here to date. Wilson handled last year 14,000 bales and up to this time last season had sold 10,000 bales. The farmers are holding for higher prices, nearly everyone having some cotton on hand. The difference represents $100,000 in money and partially explains the tightness of money in these parts. With the exception of 1904 there is more cotton held this year than ever before within the recollection of the trade.

—D. P. McEachern in the Robesonian: We have this day launched forth the new county of "North Robeson," and ask the kind consideration of the citizens of old Robeson in this movement. The territory embraced in the new county consists of about one-third of the old county. The primary object of the movement is economic, and is in obedience to a cry that has gone up periodically for over fifty years from the upper portion of the county asking to be released from the excessive burden imposed upon them by the great distance in traveling to and from the court house.

—Salisbury Post: The Danbury Reporter says that Robert Francis, John Lawrence and Ruff Ward are under bond of $300 each, charged with complicity in the shooting of Mrs. Peter Bondurant on Christmas night near Francisco. While the evidence against the defendants is largely circumstantial, it is said to be very strong. Lawrence, it is alleged, had a grudge against Peter Bondurant. In company with Ward and Francis he visited Bondurant's house on the evening preceding the shooting. The three were drinking, and had a fight among themselves. Lawrence left his gun in the house. After the shooting, Lawrence and his gun were discovered missing. Mrs. Bondurant's condition is regarded serious. An infant lay in her lap when the mother was shot, but it escaped injury. Mrs. John Shelton, a neighbor, who was in the room with Mrs. Bondurant, received one shot, but the wound inflicted was not a serious one.

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What a Child Saw.

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"And this is the place?"

"It is."

"Where is the ghost?"

"The ghost, herr, is only to be seen by children. They describe it as a woman raking leaves. When she looks up at them they see only a skull instead of a face. She may be raking over there now. Yet we cannot see her."

Annette, who was with me, looked at me with a frightened expression. We were in the valley of Chamonix surrounded by snowy peaks, among which Mont Blanc rose highest. Hearing of the legend, I had engaged a guide to conduct us to the spot the ghost was said to inhabit.

"Your children hereabout," I said to the guide, "are doubtless under the influence of the story. Imagination paints the image on the retina of the child's eye."

The guide shook his head negatively. "If herr will bring a child here who has never heard of the legend he will know better."

"That is a proposition which meets my concurrence. An American family arrived at the hotel this morning, among them a little girl of seven. What do you say, Annette? Shall we make the test with her?"

Annette winced. She placed the tips of her fingers on my sleeve as if for protection.

The act gave me a suggestion. It was not clearly defined, nor had I much faith in it. Nevertheless, I had a mind to proceed.

"We will bring the child here," I added, then, turning to the guide, "and, Herman, if she sees the ghost I will give you an American gold eagle for a memento of the occasion."

"Thanks, herr. I consider myself richer by that amount."

"Don't say we will bring her here," said Annette, with a shrug. "I shall have nothing to do with the matter."

"Surely you do not expect—well, then, Herman must lose his eagle."

"I'll come," said Annette after a bit of struggle with herself.

We succeeded in getting permission from the child's parents the next afternoon to take her to walk with us. I felt sure that if spirituality would enable her to discern the ghost she would see it. She was like a waif from spirit land, large dreamy eyes—wonder eyes I would call them—the face of a child Madonna, sensitive lips, the figure of a sprite. She walked with us in silence, treading the ground so lightly that I sometimes wondered if she touched it at all. Annette could not keep her eyes off her, seemingly enthralled by her, though our quest may have had much to do with that.

Besides, our surroundings were impressive. What is there more typical of the infinite than a mountain raising its white head into the heavenly blue? And what more typical of infinity than a host of such mountains looming on all sides, three snow fringed glaciers wriggling like serpents down their sides? Our little friend looked up at the peaks with a sort of trustfulness, as if they were animate—her older brothers, resting, silent, conscious of latent power. The wind was fresh, and it seemed that it would take up the child and carry her to some far peak gilded by the afternoon sun where she would be nearer her own country.

As we drew near the spot we sought Annette weakened. I saw in her expression that she feared we would have evidence of the specter's presence. The child was walking before us, and Annette, sidling toward me, laid her hand on my arm, as before, this time clutching it in terror.

We stood on the ground we had occupied the day before, looking out on the spot Herman had referred to when he said, "She may be raking over there now." A wind rolled over some dead leaves where we fancied the woman worked. Annette drew near me—so near that her silken sleeve rubbed against my arm. The child stood a few steps before us, looking at the mountains, the valleys, anything, everything that made up the view.

"Herman has lost his eagle," I said in a low voice to Annette. "She sees nothing unusual."

"Thank heaven!" was the whispered reply.

"What a desolate spot!" I remarked aloud. "Not a living thing here but ourselves."

"Yes, there is," said the child. "There's a woman over there raking dead leaves."

I felt a convulsive grip on my arm. I knew Annette needed support, and I put my arm about her to steady her. I confess I was startled myself.

"Where?" I asked of the child.

"Over there," pointing. "She sees us. There are only holes where the eyes should be."

"Oh, come away!"

It was Annette who wailed the words. But she had no power to go. My plan had worked too well. Its object—to excite in her that craving for protection which would throw her into my arms—had succeeded, but I feared the shock. I took her in my arms and put my face against her cold cheek. I looked love into her wild eyes. All to no purpose. I could get nothing but convulsive shudders, clutchings.

That was a long while ago. Annette is my wife, but I have never ceased to regret that I uncovered her heart in a way so dangerous. She was long in recovering from the shock, and even now I do not dare refer to the matter. No explanation of the wonder has ever come to me. I have no theory concerning it and don't wish any. All I ask is that I and Annette may forget it.

MURIEL E. GRAY.

THE SLEEPING SICKNESS WHICH MEANS DEATH

How many readers have heard of this terrible disease? It prevails in that far-away country—Africa—especially the Congo district. It is caused by the bite of the tsetse fly. When it bites a person, the sleeping symptoms begin and finally the sufferer sleeps until death occurs.

Contrast this with the peaceful, balmy sleep of health. Is there anything more wearing than to lie awake at night, tossing about, nervous, with cold feet, hot head and mercy knows what else? Short of letting the tsetse fly bite us we would do almost anything for relief. How can we prevent it? Mr. George Hayes, of Union City, Pa., writes: "I had lost my appetite, was all run-down, could not sleep nights. I had tried everything without relief. Vinol was recommended, and to my surprise, it helped me at once; gave me a splendid appetite, and now I sleep soundly."

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At the great Mock Court Trial under the auspices of the Young Men'h Christian Association, in the Academy of Music, on Thursday evening, January 7th.

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SUNDAYS—Leave at 9:45, 10:45 A. M. 12:15, 1:45, 3:15, 3:45, 5:15 5:45, 6:15, 6:45, 7:45, 9:15 P. M.

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	No. 43.	No. 41.
Lv. Wilmington	9:00 am	7:00 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	12:03 pm	9:55 pm
Ar Wilson	1:00 m	10:53 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount	1:35 pm	11:30 pm
Ar. Weldon	4:55 pm	2:36 pm
Ar Norfolk	5:55 pm	
Ar. Petersburg	7:00 pm	4:30 am
Ar. Richmond	8:00 pm	5:10 am
Ar. Washington	11:50 pm	8:40 am
Ar. Baltimore	1:41 am	10:00 am
Ar. Philadelphia	4:21 am	12:18 pm
Ar. New York	7:23 am	2:45 pm

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	No. 41.	No. 43.
Lv New York	9:25 am	9:25 pm
Ar Philadelphia	11:27 am	12:15 am
Ar Baltimore	2:13 pm	2:51 am
Ar Washington	3:45 pm	4:20 am
Lv Norfolk		8:25 am
Lv Richmond	7:25 pm	8:15 am
Ar Petersburg	8:05 pm	9:03 am
Ar Weldon	9:59 pm	11:28 am
Ar Rocky Mount	11:03 pm	12:55 pm
Ar Wilson	11:47 pm	1:53 pm
Ar Goldsboro	6:15 am	3:00 pm
Ar. Wilmington	9:25 am	6:10 pm

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	Daily.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Wil't'n	5:15 am	3:30 pm	7:00 pm
Ar. Flor.	9:05 am	7:20 pm	4:30 am
Ar Col'bia	12:25 pm	10:45 pm	
Ar. Ch'st'n	1:10 pm	11:15 pm	7:30 am
Ar. Sa'n.	6:20 pm	2:10 am	9:54 am
Ar. Jk'ville		7 15 am	2:20 pm
Ar. Tampa		6:25 pm	12:15 am

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Tampa	8:55 pm	7:00 am
Lv. Jacksonville	8:55 am	7:45 pm
Ar. Savannah	1:05 pm	11:59 pm
Lv. Charleston	5:30 pm	5:20 am
Lv. Columbia	4:30 pm	6:00 am
Ar. Florence	7:15 pm	2:55 am
Ar. Wilmington	12:45 am	1:20 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	Westbound. Daily.	Eastbound. Daily.
Lv. Wilmington	8:40 am	Ar 8:05 pm
Lv. Fayetteville	12:10 pm	Ar 4:45 pm
Ar. Sanford	1:40 pm	Lv 3:30 pm

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	No. 45	No. 39.
Lv. Wilm't'n	4:45 A. M.	3:00 P. M.
Ar. Lumb't'n	7:11 A. M.	5:43 P. M.
Ar. Maxton	7:52 A. M.	6:35 P. M.
Ar. Hamlet	8:45 A. M.	7:30 P. M.
Lv. Hamlet	9:05 A. M.	8:10 P. M.
Ar. Monroe	10:50 A. M.	10:20 P. M.
Ar. Ch'lotte	11:35 A. M.	11:30 P. M.

No. 45 connects at Hamlet with No. 66 for Raleigh and Richmond and points North at Monroe with No. 53 for Atlanta.

No. 39 connects at Hamlet with No. 41 for Atlanta, Birmingham and Charlotte, with No. 84 for Washington and New York, No. 32 for Portsmouth, Norfolk and No. 43 for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville.

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COMMERCIAL

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 5.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Market, steady, 37 3-4.

ROSIN—Market, steady $2.65 per barrel of 280 pounds.

TAR—Market, firm $1.75.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market, firm $1.75 per barrel for hard; $2.75 for dip and $2.75 for virgni.

Quotations same day last year—spirits turpentine quiet 49 1-2; rosin quet $2.90; tar, nothing doing; crude turpentine firm $2.00, $3.00 and $3.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	26
Rosin	82
Tar	152
Crude Turpentine	30

Receipts, same day last year 46 casks spirits turpentine; 355 barrels rosin; 63 barrels tar; 49 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, 8 3-4 cents for middling.

Same day last year—Steady, 10 7-8c.

Receipts—596 bales, same day last year 2,028 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, January 2nd.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina prime 65@75c; extra prime, 75c; fancy, 80c; Virginia, prime 60@65c; extra prime 70@75c; Spanish 90@95c.

CORN—Firm, 97 1-2c per bushel for white; 92 1-2@95 for mixed.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams, old 17c; shoulders 11 @12 1-2c; sides 12 1-2c.

EGGS—Dull at 25c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull at 15@35c for large springs; growns, dull, 35c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2c per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2c per pound on foot.

HIDES—Dr. flint, 9; green, dull 7c. per pound.

IRISH POTATOES—New 80 and 90c per bushel.

SWEET—POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel for yams.

WOOL—Free of burr, 15c; burry wool 10 to 12c.

GEESE—Dull 50c per head; dressed 50c.

PORK—Good demand 6 to 8c; corn fed 8c for small pork.

THE COTTON MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 5.—The cotton market was less active and fluctuations were irregular within a range of 7 to 8 points. The close was steady, net 2 points higher to 3 points lower and sales were estimated at 125,000 bales.

The market opened steady at unchanged prices to a decline of 2 points and held close to the final figures of yesterday during the early session. Liverpool cables were about as due and, while favorable advices were received as to conditions in Manchester, cables from Germany reported that spinners were out of the market and that trade conditions were depressed.

The market weakened shortly after midday under realizing with present crop deliveries selling 5 to 6 points net lower, while October showed a net loss of 9 points. Someof the leading spot interest supported the Spring months at the decline and the market steadied late in the day on covering.

Receipts at the ports today were 45,460 bales against 61,037 last week and 66,992 last year; for the week 240,000 bales against 290,762 last week and 303,945 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans were 10,789 bales against 20,136 last year, and at Houston 19,191 bales against 17,821 last year.

Spot cotton quiet, 10 points decline. middling uplands 9.25; middling gulf 9.50; sales none. Futures opened steady and closed steady.

Month	Open	Close.
January	8.93	8.93
February	8.90	8.92
March	8.91	8.93
April	8.90	8.91
May	8.92	8.93
June	——	8.88
July	8.90	8.88
August	8.80	8.78
September	8.66	8.66
October	8.66	8.64
November	——	8.62
December	——	8.61

PORT MOVEMENT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Galveston—Quiet, 8 7-8; net receipts 22,903; stock 158,929.

New Orleans—Quiet, 8 7-8; net receipts 10,789; stock 348,310.

Mobile—Steady, 8 7-8; net receipts 3,274; stock 76,492.

Savannah—Quiet, 8 3-4; net receipts 6,201; stock 159,331.

Charleston—Quiet, 8 3-4; net receipts 209; stock 18,171.

Wilmington—Quiet, 8 3-4; net receipts 566; stock 16,738.

Norfolk—Firm, 9; net receipts 1,015; stocks 29,726.

Baltimore—Nominal, 9 1-8; stock 30,228.

New York—Quiet, 9.25; net receipts 80; stock 189,143.

Boston—Quiet, 9.25; net receipts 50.

Philadelphia Easy, 9.50; net receipts 50; stock 1,704.

Georgetown—Net receipts 123.

San Francisco—Net receipts 300.

Total today, at all ports, net receipts 45,460; Great Britain 18,517; Japan 300; stock 1,044,638.

Consolidated, at all ports, net receipts 113,856; Great Britain 52,469; France 13,987; Continent 42,339; Japan 300.

Total since September 1st, at all ports, net receipts 6,463,029; Great Britain 2,008,701; France 639,608; Continent 2,014,545; Japan 77,639; Mexico 4,103.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Houston—Steady, 8 15-16; net receipts 19,191; stock 151,003.

Augusta—Quiet, 9 3-16; net receipts 196; stock 101,705.

Memphis—Steady, 9; net receipts 2,262; stock 195,543.

St. Louis—Steady, 9 1-8; net receipts 2,141; stock 43,115.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 389; stock 18,854.

Louisville—Firm, 9 1-8.

Little Rock—Quiet, 8 5-8; net receipts 1,229; stock 46,556.

Total today—Net receipts 25,408; gross receipts 35,807; shipments 35,475; sales 4,460; stock 556,776.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

Liverpool, Jan. 5.—Cotton: Spot good business done, prices 3 points lower. American middling fair 5.59; good middling 5.22; middling 5.04; low middling 4.84; good ordinary 4.33; ordinary 3.93.

The sales of the dayy were 12,000 bales of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 11,300 American. Receipts 24,000 bales including 23,900 American.

Futures opened easier and closed steady. January 4.85 1-2; January and February 4.83 1-2; February and March 4.81 1-2; March and April 4.81; April and May 4.80; May and June 4.79 1-2; June and July 4.79 1-2; July and August 4.78 1-2; August and September 4.69 1-2; September and October 4.64; October and November 4.60; November and December 4.58; December and January 4.57 1-2; January and February 4.57.

THE DRY GOODS MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 5.—The dry goods market ruled steady. Many buyers are coming into the market from the retail and jobbing trades. Several thousand bales of cottons have been sold to China for February and March shipment principally lightweight goods. Printers are buying narrow cloths more liberally and converters are also taking more interest in the market. Large shipments of goods on old orders are being made. In men's wear new lines are being shown daily and business has been active on fancy overcoatings for fall of 1909. This activity is delaying the opening on suiting lines. Immediate business in several lines is quiet, but almost universally reports are for advance shipment of goods due January 1.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 5.—The professional view of the weakness which developed in the stock market today was that it was largely due to the sympathetic effect of the collapse in Consolidated Gas, which proceeded today only less violently than yesterday. The period of greatest weakness in Consolidated Gas today, however, was while the general list was making a sturdy stand against the reaction and was showing a degree of positive strength in some quarters. The action of the market warranted the implication that the support was in the interest of facilitating a process of liquidation and the pursuit of this purpose had the later effect of weakening the whole list. The consensus of opinion has been strong that the period of renewed ease in the money market after the turn of the year would facilitate a revival of speculative activity and conduce to still higher prices for stocks. The money market is rapidly and sensibly growing easier, but so many speculative holdings of stocks apparently have been waiting for this opportunity to realize profits that the selling outweighs the demand. The uneasiness over the subject of Government aggression upon corporations was shown by the manner in which various incidents bearing on the subject were dwelt upon. The adoption by the United States House of a resolution calling for information of an alleged opinion by the attorney general sanctioning the purchase of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company by the United States Steel corporation was one of the circumstances thus dwelt on.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, were $5,916,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call Total sales of stocks today were 1,188,800 shares.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 5.—Money on call steady 2 to 2 1-2 per cent., ruling rate 2 1-2, closing bid 2 1-4, offered at 2 1-4. Time loans easy; sixty and ninety days 2 3-4 to 3 per cent. six months 3 1-4 to 3 1-2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3 3-4 to 4 per cent. Sterling exchange irregular with actual business in bankers bills at 4.8490 to 4.85 for sixty day bills and at 4.8685 for demand. Commercial bills 4.84 3-4 to 4.84 7-8. Bar silver 50 1-2. Mexican dollars 45.

NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. refunding 2s reg	103
U. S. refunding 2s cou	103
U. S. 3s reg	100 3-4
U. S. 3s cou	100 3-4
U. S. 4s reg	119 1-2
U. S. 4s cou	120 1-2
Amr. Tobacco Co. 6s	107
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	95 1-4
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	100 1-2
L. & N. Unified 4s	100 1-4
Seaboard Air Line 4s offd	69
Southern Railway 5s	106 1-4
U. S. Steel 5s	102 3-8

Closing Stock Lists.

Amalgamated Copper	82 1-4
Amr. Car & Foundry	48 1-2
Amr. Car & Foundry pfd	107 1-2@111
Amr. Cotton Oil Co	42 1-4
Amr. Locomotive	56 1-2
Amr. Smelting & Ref	82 3-4
Amr. Smelting & Ref pfd	103 3-4
Amr. Sugar Refining	129
Amr. Tobacco pfd	93 1-2
Atchison	99 3-8
Atchison pfd	101 1-4
Atlantic Coast Line	109
Baltimore & Ohio	110 1-4
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	92@95
Chesapeake & Ohio	55 3-4
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	147 1-2
Colorado & Southern	57 1-4
Erie	33 1-8
Erie 1st pfd	49 1-8
Erie 2nd pfd	39
Great Northern pfd	145 3-4
Kansas City Southern	39
Kansas City Southern pfd	69 3-4
L. & N.	124 3-4
Norfolk & Western	85 1-4
Northern Pacific	140 1-8
Pennsylvania	133 1-8
People's Gas	102 1-4
Reading	139 5-8
Rock Island Co	23 3-8
Rock Island Co. pfd	59
Southern Pacific	118
Southern Pacific pfd	120 1-4
Southern Railway	25 1-4
Southern Railway pfd	60
Standard Oil Co	——
Union Pacific	178 7-8
U. S. Steel	51 1-2
U. S. Steel pfd	112 1-2
Va.-Car. Chemical	43
Va.-Car. Chemical pfd	112
Western Union	68 1-2
Westinghouse Electric Co	84 1-4

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 5.—Flour quiet and barely steady.

Rye Flour—Quiet.

Buckwheat Flour—Steady.

Corn Meal—Firm.

Rye—Dull.

Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red 1.06 7-8 to 1.08 3-8 elevator. Options 1 to 1 1-8 net lower. May 1.10 7-8; July 1.05 1-8.

Corn—Firm; No. 2, 66 1-4 elevator. Options 1-8 to 1-4c lower; May 68 1-8; July 68 1-4; September 68 1-4.

Oats—Steady; mixed 54 to 54 1-2.

Lard—Steady.

Rice—Steady.

Molasses—Quiet.

Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 3.17 to 3.20.

Coffee—Steady Rio No. 7, 6 7-8 to 7; Santos No. 4, 8 3-8. Mild dull, Cordova 9 1-4 to 12 1-2. Futures closed steady at a net advance of 5 to 10 points.

Butter—Firm.

Cheese—Firm.

Eggs—Easier state, Pennsylvania and nearby brown and mixed fancy 33 to 35; fair to choice 30 to 32.

Peanuts and Freights—Quiet, unchanged.

Potatoes—Steady; foreign 1.50 to 2.00.

Cabbages—Easy, unchanged.

Cotton Seed Oil was firm for spot but barely steady for futures. Prime crude 31 to 31 1-2; prime summer yellow 39 1-2 to 40; off summer yellow 28 to 38 1-4; good off summer yellow 38 1-2 to 39 1-2; prime white 40 to 43; prime winter yellow 43 1-2 to 44.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Liberal profit taking by local longs caused the weakness in the wheat market here today, final quotations showing net losses of 7-8 to 1c. Corn, oats and provisions also closed weak as a result of realizing sales.

Leading futures were as follows:

	Open	High	Close
Wheat.			
May	1 08 5-8	10 8 3-4	1 07 1-2
July	99 3-4	99 7-8	98 5-8
Sept	95 7-8	96	95
Corn.			
May	61 5-8	61 5-8	61 1-4
July	61 1-2	62 1-8	61 5-8
Sept	62	62 1-4	61 5-8
Oats.			
May	51 7-8	51 7-8	51 3-8
July	46 1-2	46 5-8	46 1-8
Sept	39 1-2	39 1-2	39 1-4
Mess Pork, per bbl.			
Jan.	16 47 1-2	16 47 1-2	16 30
May	16 65	16 75	16 57 1-2
Lard, per 100 lbs.			
Jan.	9 52 1-2	9 52 1-2	9 47 1-2
May	9 75	9 80	9 70
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.			
Jan.	8 47 1-2	8 50	8 42 1-2
May	8 72 1-2	8 80	8 72 1-2

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour, firm. No. 2 spring wheat 1.07 to 1.09; No. 3, 1.00 to 1.07; No. 2 red 1.05 3-4 to 1.07. No. 2 corn 58 1-2 to 58 3-4; No. 2 yellow 58 3-4 to 59. No. 2 white oats 51 1-4; No. 3 white 49 to 51 1-2. No. 2 rye 74. Good feeding barley 60 to 61. Fair to choice malting 62 to 65. No. 1 Northwestern flax seed 1.54. Prime timothy seed 3.95. Clover contract grades 9.30. Short ribs, sides (loose) 8.00 to 8.50. Mess pork, per bbl. 16.25 to 16.37 1-2. Lard per 100 lbs. 9.47 1-2. Short clear sides (boxed) 8.62 1-2 to 8.75.

NAVAL STORES.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 5.—Rosin steady and unchanged. Turpentine firm at 42 1-2.

Charleston, S. C., Jan. 5.—Turpentine firm 39 1-4. Rosin quiet. Quote A. B. C. D. E. 2.87 1-2; F, 2.92 1-2.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 5.—Turpentine firm 38 3-4 to 39; sales 422; receipts 289; shipments 197.

Rosin firm; sales 5,518; receipts 2,720; shipments 1,055; stock 168,129. Quote: A. B. C. D. 2.95 to 3.00; E, 2.97 1-2 to 3.00; F, 3.00 to 3.02 1-2; G, 3.00 to 3.05; H, 3.35 to 3.40; I, 4.15 to 4.20; K, 5.10; M, 5.80; N, 6.15; WG, 6.40; WW, 6 50.

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Str. City of Fayetteville, Smith, Fayetteville, C. P. Love.

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BY RIVER AND RAIL.

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Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 5, 1908.

C. C. Railroad—10 bales cotton, 11 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—139 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—342 bales cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine, 46 barrels rosin, 17 barrels tar, 28 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—104 bales cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine, 101 barrels tar.

Str. Alice—2 barrels tar.

Str. Duplin—1 bale cotton.

Str. Bee—5 casks spirits turpentine, 36 barrels rosin, 21 barrels tar.

Total—566 bales cotton, 26 casks spirits turpentine, 82 barrels rosin, 152 barrels tar, 30 barrels crude turpentine.

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Joel F. Sheppard, 493 tons, Sheppard, C. D. Maffitt.

John H. May, 319 tons, Stille, C. D. Maffitt.

Kineo, 1,867 tons, Patton, C. D. Maffitt.

Rothesay, (Br.) 280 tons, Phipps, C. D. Maffitt.

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TO OUR FRIENDS.

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LAWS CONCERING SALE OF NATIVE WINES.

To the Public:—

In response to the many inquiries we received regarding the manufacture and sale of native wines under the State Prohibition Law is to-wit:

Wines can be made from native fruits, and can be sold at place of manufacture in quantities of 2 1-2 gallons or more; to be sold in bottles packed in cases or in vessels, crated. This means one or more than one kind of wine, but the total quantity must not be less than 2 1-2 gallons, delivered all the same time. These packages cannot be opened on the premises of the manufacturer and no wine can be consumed on the premises of our winery. Wines can be shipped out of the State in any quantity. We can sell in quantities of 2 1-2 gallons or more to licensed druggists and pharmacists in North Carolina, and to ministers and officers of churches for communion purposes in any quantity.

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Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 2, 1909.
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U. S. ENGINEER OFFICE, WILmington, N. C., December 30, 1908. Sealed proposals for constructing steel draw-span highway bridge with pile and concrete foundations, on Core Creek, near Beaufort, N. C., will be received at this office until 12 o'clock, noon, standard time, January 30, 1909, and then publicly opened. Information on application. EARL I. BROWN, Capt. Engrs.

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HOUSE'S REPLY TO ROOSEVELT

Now Being Considered by The Special Committee on His Message.

AN INTERESTING DEBATE

On the Report of the Committee Expected—Drastic Measures Being Considered by Committee. Rumors.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Jan. 5.—Drastic measures are being considered by the Perkins special committee of the House appointed to recommend to the House action in defense against the criticism made by the President in his annual message in referring to the secret service legislation of last year.

After the meeting of that committee today a report spread that the committee would recommend to the House that that portion of the annual message referring to the secret service be expunged from the record. Another report was that the resent message in reply to the request of the House for more information on the subject would be returned to the Chief Executive. Neither report could be confirmed, as members of the committee refused to discuss the probable action.

A report probably will be agreed upon by the committee at a meeting tomorrow, but Chairman Perkins said today that no report would be submitted to the House tomorrow. It is believed that the House will be called upon to take action Thursday, certainly this week.

One of the most interesting debates of the session is expected when the report of the committee is brought into the House. Friends of the President will resist any drastic action that may be recommmended. On the other hand, Representatives Tawney, Smith, Sherley and Fitzgerald are preparing to defend themselves against the references to themselves in the message. Their remarks, however, will not be a personal defense, as they maintain that they should not be parties to any attempt to divert attention from the controversy which is between Congress and the President and not between themselves and the President.

DRAINAGE OF SWAMP LANDS.

An Important Bill on This Subject Before Congress.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Jan. 5.—Should the bill introduced in the House just before the holiday adjournment by Representative Sheppard, of Texas, be enacted into law it would tend to show that Congress is becoming conscious of the fact that the vast area of swamp and overflowed lands which are situated mainly in the eastern part of the Union, must be drained and the land reclaimed in order to provide space for our rapidly increasing population. There are many thousand square miles of such lands located in this country, the largest and most well known of which are the Everglades of Florida and the Dismal Swamp. While the appropriation called for in the bill is comparatively small, it is probable that if good results are obtained from it it will be followed by frequent and larger appropriations.

The sum of $25,000 is provided for in the bill to be used by the Secretary of Agriculture in investigating and surveying swamps, wet and overflowed lands within the Red, Sulphur and Cypress Valleys in Texas.

TAFT AND THE MINISTERS.

At Their Request He Holds Conference With Augusta Preachers.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Augusta, Ga., Jan. 5.—To the Protestant ministers of Augusta President-elect Taft today expressed his wishes regarding the influence of the Church upon civilization and its usefulness in aiding governmental development. His talk might be regarded as an interesting addition to the general discussion which has been indulged in regarding his religious beliefs.

The ministers had extended Mr. Taft a cordial welcome and expressed a desire to arrange a reception for him, their manifestation of friendliness being concluded with prayer. Mr. Taft began by thanking them for their good will and their prayers, adding: "In carrying on the burden of a government, which, with its increasing usefulness necessarily entails greater tasks, they who are charged with its execution head every assistance and sympathy."

WRIGHT SAIL FOR EUROPE

His Views as to the Future of the Aeroplane.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 5.—Orville Wright the aeroplanist, accompanied by his sister, Miss Katherine Wright, sailed today for France where he will join his brother Wilbur.

"I do not believe the aeroplane will ever take the place of trains or steamships for the carrying of passengers," said Mr. Wright just before sailing. "My brother and I have never figured on building passenger carrying machines. Our idea has always been to get one that will carry two or three or even five persons, but this has been the limit of our endeavors. I believe ultimately the aeroplane may be put to special uses in the carrying of passengers, but never in excess of 15 or 20 persons."

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DULL DAY IN CONGRESS

No Business of Public Interest—Motion in Senate to Print Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation in Record Objected to.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Jan. 5.—The business of the Senate today consumed less than an hour, nearly half of which was devoted to the consideration of nominations in executive session of which a large number were confirmed.

A motion by Senator Gore, of Oklahoma, to print the inaugural addresses and the proclamation of emanicipation by President Lincoln in the Congressional Record in celebration of the centennary year of Loncoln's birth brought Senator Bailey, of Texas, to his feet with an objection to the printing of the proclamation of emancipation. Further discussion was stopped by a reference of the entire matter to the committee on printing.

At 12:58 o'clock P. M., the Senate adjourned.

The House of Representatives.

Transacting business without even the semblance of a quorum, the House of Representatives today passed several bills of a miscellaneous character, but of little general public interest. The only incident worthy of note during the consideration of these measures was a heated discussion among the members of the Indiana delegation over a bill to provide for the establishment of judicial divisions in the district of Indiana. The measure failed of passage through the refusal of a majority to order its third reading and its being subsequently laid upon the table. Over two hours were devoted to consideration of the bill providing for the erection of Embassy and Legation buildings abroad, without any conclusion being reached with regard to it.

Among the bills to successfully run the gauntlet was one providing for the granting of leaves of absence with pay for thirty days of employes on the Panama canal injured in line of duty and another authorizing the Santee River Cypress Lumber Company to construct a bridge across the Santee river, South Carolina.

At 5 o'clock P. M., the House adjourned.

AN IMMENSE BATTLESHIP

Designed for a 25,000-Ton Vessel for American Navy.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Jan. 5.—Plans have been outlined by the Bureau of Construction of the Navy for a great battleship of 25,000 tons, designed to carry eight 14-inch guns. No indication has been given yet that such a battleship will be authorized, but that there is in the minds of officials of the department the possibility of asking for an appropriation for a ship of larger type than the Dreadnaught is attracting attention among members of Congress.

The speed of the newly designed battleship would be from 20 1-4 to 20-1-2 knots under trial conditions, according to Admiral Capps, chief constructor. There are ships in course of construction of the 20,000 ton class which are the largest ever authorized for the American Navy.

THREE CONTESTS IN HOUSE.

From South Carolina Settled by Committee Reports.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Jan. 5.—Three Congressional election contests from South Carolina were practically decided today when Election Committee No. 1 reported to the House in favor of the permanent seating of Representative James O. Patterson, Democrat, of the Second district over Isaac Myers, Republican; Representative Asbury F. Leever, Democrat of the Seventh district, over Alex Dantzler, Republican; and Representative Geo. S. LeGare, Democrat, of the First district, over A. P. Prioleau, Republican. All of the defeated candidates are negroes. The victors are now sitting in the House.

THE STEAMER GOLDSBOROUGH.

Bailey, Who Carried Her to Honduras, Sent to Penitentiary.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 5.—For his part in the dispatching of the steamer Goldsborouugh to Honduras last Spring with $80,000 worth of goods said to have been obtained under false pretenses, Albert W. Bailey, formerly secretary and treasurer of the defunct Export Shipping Company, of this city, was sentenced to the State prison for not less than four years and six months or more than six years and eight months. Bailey's brother, Francis G. Bailey, president o fthe company, was apprehended in Honduras at the same time but eluded his guards and is still at large.

MORE SUBMARINE BOATS

Bill For Construstion of Eight Introduced in Congress.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Jan. 5.—The construction of eight sub-marine torpedo boats of the latest improved type, to cost not more than $4,000,000, is provided for in a bill introduced in the House today by Representative Weeks of Massachusetts. The vessels, which are to be used for the defense of the Atlantic coast and gulf ports, are to be constructed by contract on the Atlantic coast. An appropriation o $1,000,000 toward the building of the boats is provided for in the bill.

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FEAR OF EPIDEMIC CAUSES ALARM

Reports From Messina Regarding Typhoid Fever Are Most Unfavorable.

WOULD ADD TO HORRORS

Fire in Stricken City is Being Extinguished—Earth Shocks Felt Yesterday Diminishing in Intensity—Rations for Sufferers.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

Rome, Jan. 5.—The report from Messina that typhoid fever has broken out there has filled the authorities with alarm and apprehension. It is realized here the unless proper sanitary precautions are taken at once the disease may spread far outside the ruined districts. Even though the present cases may prove to be dysentery, it is well known that this disease under such conditions as prevail at Messina, would be likely to prove just as fatal as typhoid itself.

King Victor Immanuel today received Ambassador Griscom, who presented him with the steamer Bayern in the name of the American Relief Committee, representing the American people. The Bayern is loaded with provisions and medical supplies, and is ready to proceed to the Strait of Messina. The King was greatly pleased, and said that the Americans were always first. His Majesty advised the Ambassador as to where the steamer should proceed and as to the best means of distributing its supplies to the unfortunates.

Thirteen thousand refugees have arrived at Naples up to date, of whom 6,000 are wounded. They are receiving the best of care, but many have died from their injuries and others have gone mad. More than 50 per cent. of those taken out of the ruins after three days died, not having strength left to survive their terrible experiences.

The United States gunboat Scorpion left Naples today carrying supplies, principally of sterilized milk for distribution at Messina under the direction of the American consulate.

The American vice consul, Stuart Luupton, in answer to inquiries made by the State Department at Washington, telegraphs from Messina that the house of the "Little Sisters of the Poor" was destroyed. Two of the Sisters, Natalia San Filippa and Gieuesseppa Buon Giovanni, were killed. The others, 24 in number, are desirous of going to Milan, but this is uncertain.

Rear Admiral Sperry, commander of the American battleship fleet has notified the authorities here that he will be in Naples on January 9 with the first division, composed of the Connecticut, Vermont, Minnesota and Kansas.

The latest news from Reggio shows that earthquakes occurred there today, the shocks being about 20 minutes apart. One of the heavy shocks caused the collapse of a number of broken walls and added to the terror of the few survivors who remain there.

Experience of Americans.

The home of Mr. Cheney, the American Consul, was crumbled in the first shock and its inmates almost inextricably buried beneath the ruins.

Stuart K. Lupton, the American Vice Consul, was in his room at the Hotel Vittoria when the building was demolished. His escape was a miraculous one. Wearing only his trousers and carrying his shoes and his overcoat in his hands he groped his way along the quay knee deep in water toward the American consulate. On the way he met a woman and a man, both quite naked, and instinctively laid his overcoat over the shoulders of the woman. Clambering over the ruins of the consulate he became conscious of the fact that his feet were bruised and bleeding. Then he wondered why he had carried his shoes in his hands. He continued in a state of bewilderment until he established himself on a British ship in the harbor. Later he again came ashore and raised the American flag over the new Consulate in a damaged but one of the few remaining buildings in the outskirts of the city. Then Mr. Lupton began an industrious search for Americans.

Provisions From America.

New York, Jan. 5.—Laden with 25 tons of clothing and more than 13 tons of provisions with which to clothe and feed the starving and half naked survivors of the Calabria and Sicily earthquake and carrying homeward over 300 Italians of all classes, most of whom are hurrying to the scene where their loved ones have been killed, maimed or rendered destintute, the steamship Hamburg of the Hamburg-American Line sailed today for Genoa and Naples. Most of the provisions destined for the Italian sufferers were donated by Nathan Straus from the stock of a local firm of which he is a member.

New York's donations in money continue to pour in at the headquarters of the various committees engaged in raising funds. The receipts for the day aggregated more than $40,000, bringing the total contributed by New York city thus far up to nearly $350,000. During the day Mayor McClellan turned out to the local branch of the National Red Cross Society $17,957 collected by him. The fund raised by the ladies of the Colony Club which had reached a total of $1,930 and $42,000 of the stock exchange funds were also transmitted to the Red Cross, where collections for the day aggregated $78,597.

President Roosevelt yesterday withdrew from the Senate his nomination made the day before of Robert Watchorn as Commissioner of Immigration at Ellis Island, N. Y., pending an inquiry into charges which had been filed against him.

FROM SAN CARLOS PRISON

Horrible Plight of Castro's Political Prisoners Just Released—They Give Harrowing Accounts of Their Treatment.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 5.—Fuller details of the release of more than a score of Castro's political prisoners, their pitiable condition and tales of the treatment they had received in the barberous dungeons of Fort San Carlos on an island off Maracaibo were brought here today by passengers who arrived on the steamship Zulia, the ship that carried the prisoners from the Fort to LaGuayra.

The prisoners, twenty-seven in number, were men of the best families in Venezuela. They were all that remained of the droves of prisoners that had been sent to the fort for political reasons by Castro during his term of power. The deliverance became of Castro's overthrow.

Many of the prisoners could not walk without assistance when they came aboard the ship. The prisoners said they had been systematically starved, the allowance for their keep presumably going into the pockets of their jailers or others in the Government employ.

The Zulia's passengers were overwhelmed with pity at the plight of the poor fellows many of whom could not walk even a few steps without painful limping. Two, who remained inseparable companions on the ship, told of having been chained together for months to the same post and so close together that when either wanted to move his fettered leg he gave the other man warning. Otherwise the chain would chafe the sore spots where the fetters had bit into the flesh.

General Bello, who had charge of Fort San Carlos and of the prisoners, was also a passenger on the Zulia from Maracaibo to LaGuyra. He is described as a boney, grizzled man of 50, and according to the passengers has a somewhat brutal appearance. He perforce had to go with his own prisoners. Several military looking men accompanied him, ostensibly as a guard against violence form his former captives, but it was suspected that they were to see, too, that he went nowhere but to Caracas.

THE SELMA ASSASSINATION.

Former Tenant of the Deceased Held For the Murder.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 5.—Charged by a coroner's jury with the murder of J. C. Brown, a Johnston county planter who was shot from ambush and instantly killed, while returning from the house of a tenant Sunday night, A Batton, a white man and former tenant of Brown's, was arrested today and placed in jail at Smithfield to await preliminary hearings. It is said that there had been bad feeling between Brown and Batton for some time and that the latter was absent from his home and had taken his shotgun with him at the hour of the assassination of the former.

CANARY ISLAND SHAKEN

Earthquake Shock There—Repeated Shocks at Reggio.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Teneriffe, Canary Islands, Jan. 5.—An earth shock lasting twelve second was felt here today. It overturned furniture and set bells to ringing in the houses. The people rushed into the streets in a state of alarm, but no damage was done.

Reggio, Jan. 5.—Earthquakes have occurred today at intervals of twenty minutes. At noon a quake stronger than the others caused a number of standing walls to collapse and created a condition of panic among the survivors. It is not thought that there were any casualties.

The declination of the Bishop Coadjutorship of Virginia, to which he had recently been elected, is announced by Rev. Dr. Berryman Green, professor of the English Bible at the Episcopal Theological Seminary of Virginia.

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